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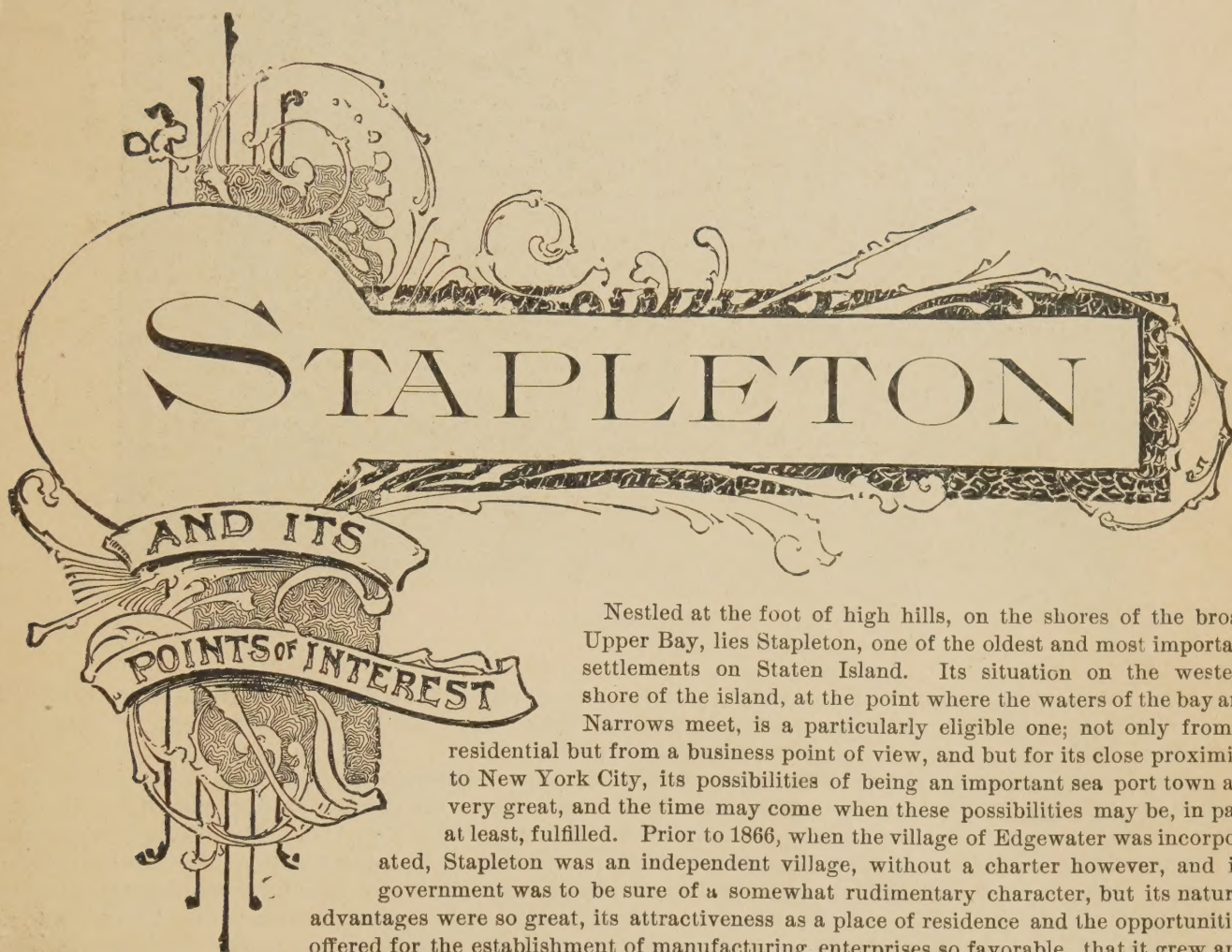
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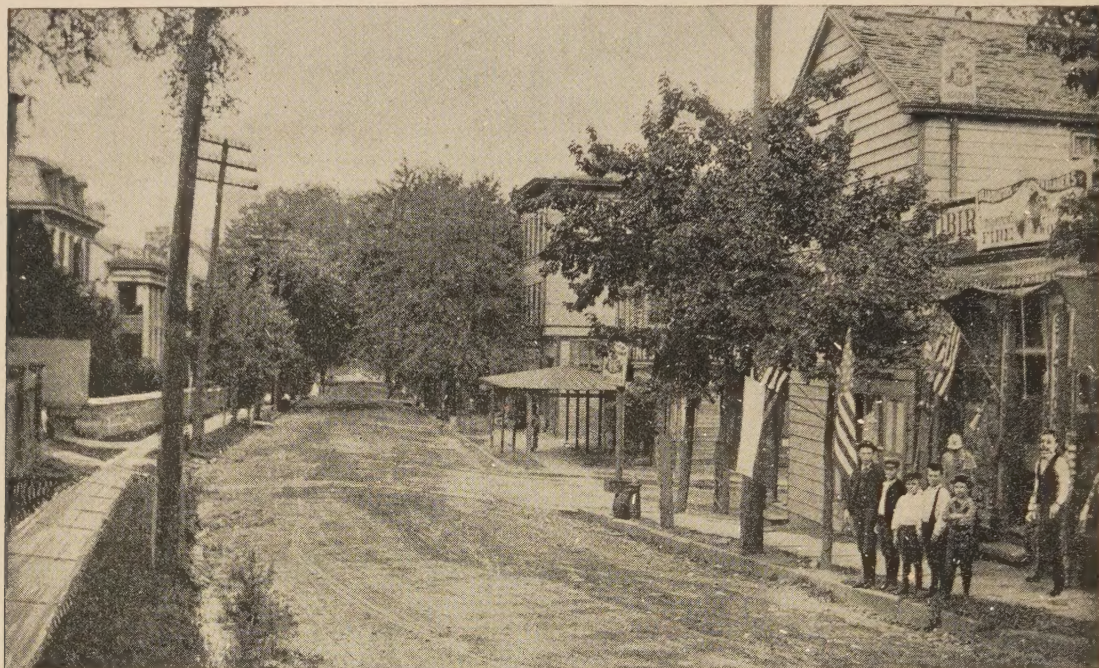
Nestled at the foot of high hills, on the shores of the broad Upper Bay, lies Stapleton, one of the oldest and most important settlements on Staten Island. Its situation on the western shore of the island, at the point where the waters of the bay and Narrows meet, is a particularly eligible one; not only from a residential but from a business point of view, and but for its close proximity to New York City, its possibilities of being an important sea port town are very great, and the time may come when these possibilities may be, in part at least, fulfilled. Prior to 1866, when the village of Edgewater was incorporated, Stapleton was an independent village, without a charter however, and its government was to be sure of a somewhat rudimentary character, but its natural advantages were so great, its attractiveness as a place of residence and the opportunities offered for the establishment of manufacturing enterprises so favorable, that it grew and prospered, and to-day forms by far the most important and thickly populated portion

Edgewater, if not of Staten Island. Before mentioning other and perhaps more essential features of the place it might be proper to refer to its desirability as a sea port. Before it stretches the great Upper Bay of New York harbor, and a branch or bight of this body of water forms a natural anchorage place for vessels of the deepest draught. Here is the favorite rendezvous of the fleet yachts that have made this harbor famous the world over, among those who follow the noble sports. Great ships ride at anchor here while waiting to proceed on their voyages. Grand Men of War, find a safe and convenient anchorage and give dignity to the little harbor. But with all her manifold advantages in this respect, the time has not yet come for Stapleton to take her place with her more pretentious sisters, New York and Brooklyn, though who can say, when great railroads make this island their terminus, what her future will be.

As above stated, the charter for the incorporation of the village of Edgewater, a most appropriate name by the way, was originally granted on April 26th, 1866. Its dimensions were approximately four and a half miles long by one and a half miles wide. It was divided into nine wards, embracing a portion of Tompkinsville, all of Stapleton and Clifton, the largest and most thickly populated settlements in the township. Owing to defects in the charter and to the unsatisfactory manner in which the government of the village was conducted during the first years of its corporate existence, many of the people were disposed to go back to the old form of town administration, but in 1875

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a new charter was obtained, which made a number of important changes, among them the simplification of the form of government by the division of the village into only two wards. The new charter was then fairly satisfactory, but it has since been found necessary to add several amendments, the last having been made in 1887. One of the later amendments sub-divides the village into five wards, each of which is represented by a trustee. One of these acts provides for a President of the Board, the present incumbent of that office being Mr. Lewis M. Johnstone.

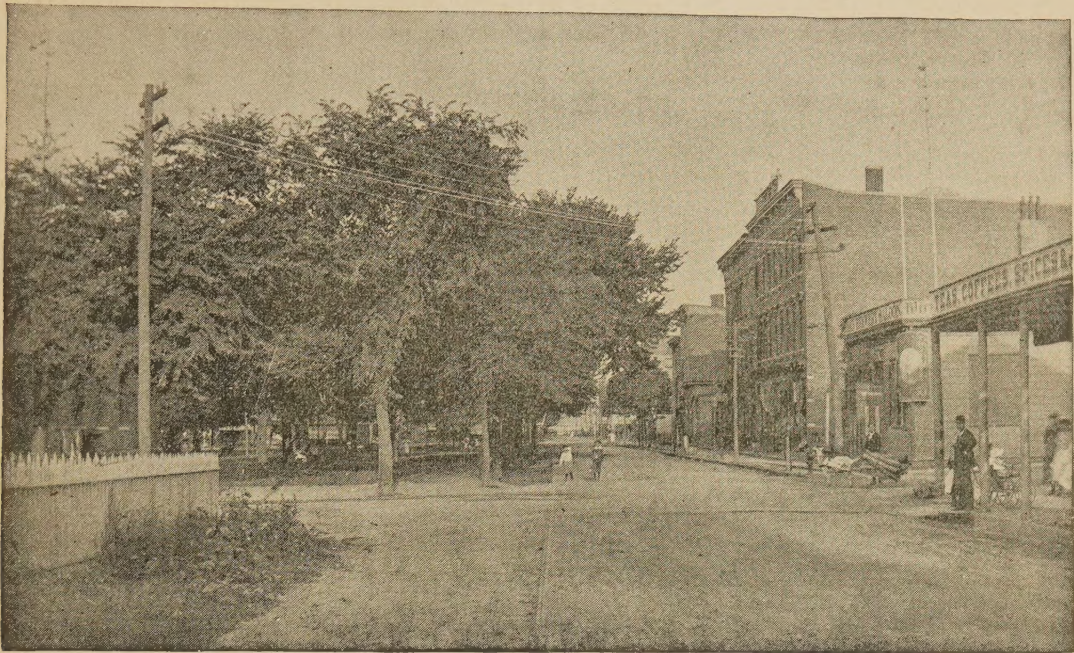


RICHMOND ROAD.

The village now has a population of 15,000, of which a large proportion is found in the Stapleton section, and as it is this section which it is our present purpose to consider, what follows will be understood to apply to it, except in the few cases it may be necessary to refer to the village as a whole.

Published histories fail to reveal the origin of the name Stapleton, though local report has it that it is derived from the name of a wealthy gentleman who was once a land holder in the vicinity, owning most, if not all of the ground upon which Stapleton now stands. The name has become so intimately identified with the locality, that although it has ceased to have any legal significance, it is still retained and Stapleton it will probably always remain. Any one leaving the rapid transit train, which has brought him in a few minutes from the ferry landing at St. George, and expecting to find an ordinary country village will be surprised to find a busy little town, whose broad well kept streets, are lined with prosperous looking stores, many of which in size, variety and extent of the stock carried, and the neatness and brightness of their appearance, compare with similar establishments in much larger and more important places. Among the principal thoroughfares in the business section are Bay, Canal and Broad Streets, the Richmond Road and New York Avenue, though there are other less pretentious streets into which the growing business interests of the village have spread and taken up a permanent abode. On leaving the station one of the first points of interest to attract the attention of the visitor is the Village Hall, which stands in the centre of a large square, surrounded by grand old trees. It is a substantial building of brick two stories in height and of a somewhat ornate style of architecture. It was erected in 1889 and is well adapted to the purposes to which it is devoted. The lower floor is occupied by the offices and meeting room of the Board of Trustees, the Treasurer and Tax Collector's offices, while the remainder of the building contains the police court, the Board of Health rooms and other executive offices. The court room is one of the finest on the island, or for that matter, any where in the immediate vicinity of New York. Here the Surrogate of the County holds court weekly, and two police justices sit to try such cases as come within their jurisdiction. Stapleton in common with all other Staten Island villages, is patrolled by the County police, and the service is most efficient, as is shown by the orderly condition of the place at all times and its freedom from crimes which so frequently shock the residents of less favored localities.

The progressiveness of Edgewater, is shown in the arrangements that have been made to promote the health comfort and convenience of its inhabitants. But a few years ago, in spite of its fine location and the splendid opportunities afforded for natural drainage, its sanitary condition was far from being such as to invite outsiders to settle there. To quote from the report of Sanitary Engineer Wingate, "the sanitary condition of Edgewater is (was) similar to that of scores of villages and towns in this state." The steadily growing population was compelled to rely



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for drainage upon cess-pools, which on account of the non-absorption of the soil in which many of them were dug, rendered them inadequate to the work required of them. The result can easily be imagined. The citizens were not content to rest under this constant menace to health and life. The matter of providing effective sewerage was taken up with spirit by the Board of Trustees, acting upon the demands of their constituents, and despite the immense expense attached to the undertaking, an excellent system was soon under way and being rapidly pushed forward to completion. Within four years, six miles of sewers were laid and connections made with the residences and other buildings, and at the present time contracts are out for the laying of one and a half miles more of sewer pipe. The wisdom and beneficent effects of this work are shown by the vast improvement in the sanitary condition of the village, and repays ten-fold the labor, time and money spent upon it. To-day Stapleton is one of the most healthful spots of all the suburban towns and villages of the country. Malarial influences are no longer to be apprehended and the fear of epidemics has disappeared. In connection with the sewerage should be mentioned the splendid water service with which this village is blessed. Some idea of its importance may be derived from the fact that since the contract was first made with the Crystal Water Company, twenty-two miles of mains have been laid, which means that every street in the village has been supplied. Two hundred and twenty-four fire hydrants and fifty-six public drinking fountains have been erected and others will be added as they are needed. The water is obtained from sixty artesian wells, at an average depth of eighty feet, the source of supply being about two hundred feet above tide water. No better water for drinking purposes is to be found anywhere in the country. It is absolutely pure, but in order to guard against any possible contamination, it is frequently analysed by the authorities. Being drawn wholly from subterranean sources it would seem to be impossible that any impurities should become mingled with it. The contract with the company expressly stipulates that no water shall be intentionally drawn from brooks or any other source above ground. The supply is most abundant, and necessarily so, as the village consumes from two and a half to three million gallons of water per day, but even with this enormous consumption, there is still a reserve supply of a million to a million and a half gallons.

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Naturally in this connection the fire department is suggested for consideration. It is no exaggeration to state that this branch of the service is one of the most efficient and best equipped known to suburban residents, and in this respect the people of Stapleton are to be congratulated, the magnitude and value of its business enterprises alone, rendering such effective protection an absolute necessity. The department, though an entirely voluntary organization, is well drilled and maintains a high grade of discipline. In the village of Edgewater there are four steam fire engines, eight hose carts and two hook and ladder companies. The department is supplemented by a force of fire police, whose services are also voluntarily rendered. The whole body, including firemen and police, are governed by a Board of Representatives, whose quarters are in the village hall.

The twenty-two miles of streets within the village limits are lighted throughout with twenty-five candle power incandescent electric lamps. There are nearly seven hundred of these placed at intervals of two hundred feet, so that the streets are brilliantly lighted and rendered perfectly safe on the darkest or most stormy nights. In this respect, Stapleton is as far ahead of neighboring villages, as it is in many other matters conducive to the comfort and convenience of its citizens. In the matter of telegraphic, telephonic and mail communication, the village is well equipped. A movement is now on foot to secure free delivery of the mails, with every chance of success. Anticipating the early coming of this convenience, the village authorities have recently caused the names of streets and avenues to be put up in a conspicuous position, and the work of numbering the houses has been begun and will be carried rapidly forward.

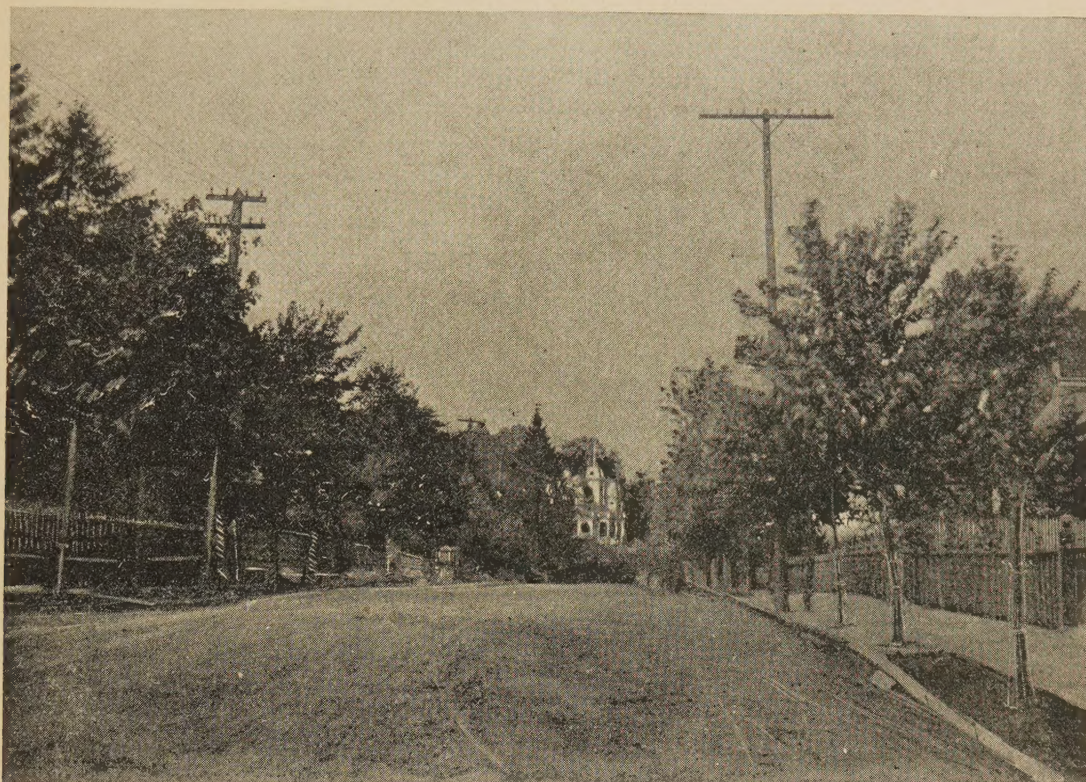
Notwithstanding the mail facilities now offered, the greatly increasing business of the village has rendered the present post office inadequate to the demands made upon it. A large and commodious building is to be erected on a site adjoining the Staten Island Savings Bank in the central portion of Stapleton, and as it will be entirely devoted to post office business, the difficulty and inconvenience now experienced in handling the mails will be permanently removed.

Elsewhere we have alluded to the evidences of prosperity of Stapleton and Edgewater as manifested by their business enterprises, but the character, number and importance of these, are such as to demand more extended notice. Among those that call for special notice as distinctive industries, may be mentioned the Cottonseed Oil Mills recently established here. The value and widely increasing use of Cottonseed oil, not only in the United States, but all over the world, as a food product, places, this industry in the foremost rank of those contributing to the wealth and progress of the country. Stapleton's Mill is one of the very few located north of Mason and Dixon's line, the bulk of the production coming from the South, particularly from the cotton states, where the seed is more cheaply and readily obtained. A paper tinting and glazing factory is also located here, and it is one of the largest, if its output is not greater than that of any similar establishment in the country. It gives steady employment at good wages to some four hundred of the young men and young women of the neighborhood. Within the village limits are several large beer breweries, whose product has a national reputation and whose proprietors are among the wealthiest and most progressive citizens of the place. A mirror and glass bevelling establishment is also numbered among the important industries of the vicinity and the somewhat unique business of fancy cake-making, supplies thousands of pounds of cake to the neighboring cities and gives employment to a large number of people.

As a place of residence, Stapleton is unsurpassed in attractiveness and convenience of location by any of the numerous suburbs of New York. We have already referred to its excellent sanitary condition as the result of the perfect system of sewerage recently introduced and its splendid water supply, which in itself offers the greatest inducement to those wishing to take up a suburban residence. But it is not in this respect alone that it excels. Since the substitution of rapid transit for the slower and more inconvenient ferry boat that formerly plied between New York and the various landing places on the island, Stapleton has been brought into much closer and more frequent communication with the metropolis. The trip now consumes hardly more than a half hour against an hour to an hour and a half in times gone by. The trains make frequent stops, are light, clean and comfortable, and beside insuring quick transit to or from New York, permit of ready access to all parts of Staten Island, an advantage that can only be appreciated by those who were compelled to depend upon the slow and uncertain means of travel furnished by horse cars and stages in former times. Some of these means of communication with neighboring villages still remain but vastly improved through the competition of steam travel.

From the water to the high ground back of the village, the land rises at first in a series of terraces, affording excellent sites for residences, and, outside of the business section of the town, are to be found many handsome cottages occupied by the well-to-do, and those of more modest, but still substantial means. Many eligible sites still remain to attract those who are seeking to purchase land and erect a home in a desirable locality. This is rendered practicable to those not overburdened with worldly goods through the agency of reputable building and loan associations, who offer advantageous terms to the house-seeker. Castleton Heights or Grymes' Hill towers up above Stapleton to a height of two hundred feet, or more, above tide water, and from its summit is presented a magnificent view far down the Narrows and Lower Bay to the South, and Northward up the North and East rivers, a beautiful panorama it is, spread out before the eyes of the beholder. The grand old bay that has been the scene of so many stirring events in the Nations' history lies before him and beyond with their towering building fronted by a forests of masts standing out clear and

distinct, lie the twin cities, which, united, are destined to become the Metropolis of the world. The ever changing scene on the surrounding waters, which bear majestic steamships flying the flags of all nations, and trim clippers making a noble effort to retain what is left of the proud prestige which was theirs, the busy tugs darting here and there among their bigger but less noisy sisters—all chain the eyes of the observer, and afford material for most entertaining study. What more beautiful or inspiring spot in which to locate a home, than the grand hills that command this wonderful view. And this magnificent opportunity has not appeal in vain to lovers of nature. Many of the finest and most substantial



ST. PAULS AVE.,

residences to be found any where in the country are here, some of them dating back to colonial times while others are magnificent examples of modern architectural art. They are the homes of people to whose influence, wealth and position Stapleton owes much of her material importance and prosperity.

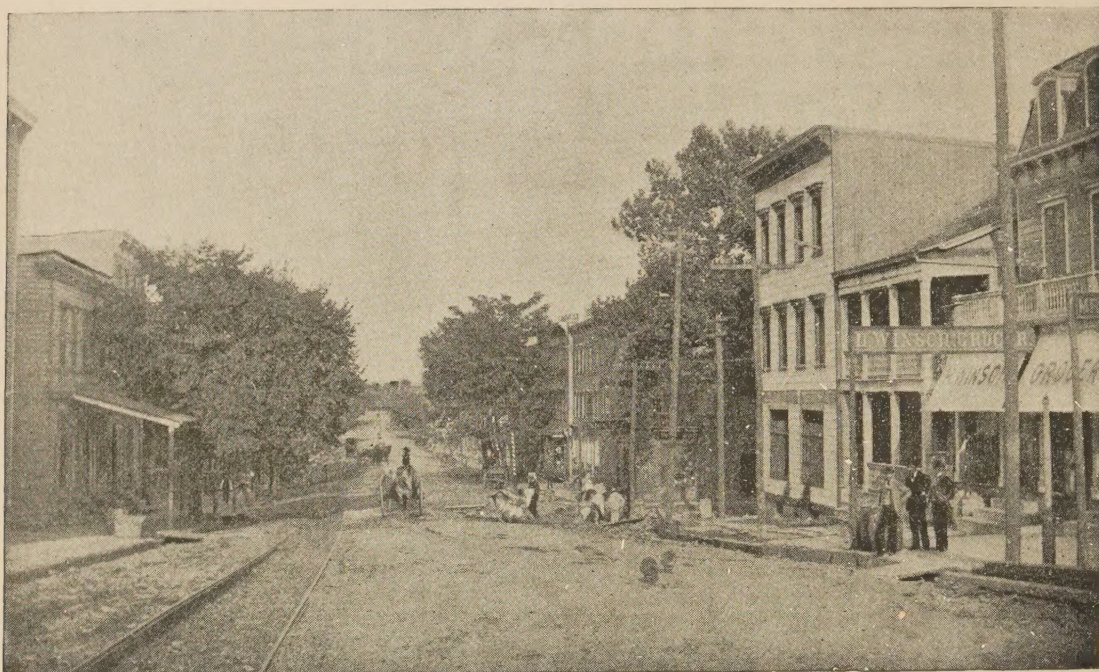
In the days when oak and chestnut abounded on Staten Island, ship building was quite an important industry, and Stapleton did its share of it, but in later years not much has been done in that direction, partly because timber has become scarce, and partly because there is now little demand for the ship carpenter in this locality. Repairing, however, is still carried on quite extensively, and in 1830, a large marine railway for taking vessels out of the water was erected at Stapleton.

Two gas works which supply all of the illuminating gas used on Staten Island are located here. The older of these, the Richmond County Gaslight Company was incorporated about thirty years ago, while the other, the Staten Island Gaslight Company dates from 1884. The first named company has over fifty miles of mains and a producing capacity of about thirty million cubic feet. As may be imagined, it is a highly prosperous concern.

Among the other important institutions of Stapleton are two of the most prominent banks in the county. The Bank of Staten Island, which occupies a handsome building of its own, is one of the strongest banks for a small one, there is to be found in the country. It is a State bank with a capital of \$25,000.00, and carries a surplus of \$30,000.00. Its deposits run close up to half a million dollars. The Staten Island Savings Bank, which has recently erected a fine building in the near vicinity of the village hall, is also a prosperous institution, a monument of the thrift and industry of the citizens.

Stapleton supports four weekly newspapers, two of which are printed in German. They are all bright, newsy journals, well edited and imbued with the spirit of progress that characterizes the village.

In educational, religious and social matters, Stapleton displays the same degree of progressiveness that is to be found in all of her other affairs. The churches are numerous and all denominations are well represented. Many of the structures are handsome examples of the architecture of the present, and all of the churches are well attended and well served by zealous pastors. One of the oldest methodist episcopal churches on the island, is the Kingsley M. E. Church on Cebra avenue, Stapleton. It had its origin as long ago as 1835 when the Rev. Henry Boehm, of the



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Philadelphia conference, organized a class at the residence of a widow named White, who lived in what was then called Mud Lane, now St. Paul's avenue. Services continued to be held at the house of Mrs. White, until the little society became strong enough to establish a church in the village academy. The society was incorporated in July 1835, under the title of the "Methodist Church of Tompkinsville, Staten Island." The site now occupied by the church, was donated the same year by Caleb F. Ward, who made it a condition that the property was to be used for church purposes only. He subsequently added to his gift another piece of ground, which extended the western boundary of the property to Marion avenue. The corner stone of the first edifice was laid July 1st, 1837, the dimensions of the building being thirty-eight by sixty feet. The church was dedicated in September of the following year, and was the home of the society until May 1855, when it was sold at public auction and a larger and more commodious building was erected on the site. The old church was removed to New Brighton and is now used as a dwelling. The founder of the society, the Rev. Henry Boehm, lived to be fully 100 years old and in his declining years was affectionately known as Father Boehm. Eight years ago the society built a parsonage on ground adjoining the church. It is a handsome building and commands a fine view of the bay and adjacent country. After the building and dedication of the second church edifice in 1855, the name of the society was changed to the "Stapleton Methodist Episcopal Church," but in 1870 the present title was adopted, the church building having in the meantime been remodelled, enlarged and greatly improved. The present building has a seating capacity of 700, and contains beside the church proper, a large lecture room in which is held the Sunday school, social and other meetings.

Next in the order of age is the First Presbyterian Church, of Edgewater, at Brownell and McKeon streets. It was organized in Clifton, in May, 1856, when the Third Presbytery of New York City, met for that purpose at the residence of G. W. Gerard, who was appointed one of the elders of the infant society. Two days later the first services were held at the house of Elder Gerard, and all of the members, twenty-six in number, were in attendance. The church grew and prospered, and in 1868 its membership was further enlarged through its union with the Dutch Reformed Church, of Stapleton. It was at this time or shortly before that the society removed from Clifton to

Stapleton, where it purchased the Church building of the Dutch Reformed organization. Some years ago, the Chapel connected with the Church was burned by incendiaries, and was replaced by a handsome and costly structure, in which the Sunday school and various week-day meetings are held. The Church has a membership of about two hundred and fifty and there are over three hundred scholars in the Sunday School.

Rev. John Lewis, who is one of the most zealous and devoted priests of the Roman Catholic Church, ministered



BAY ST., NEAR BROAD.

to the people of that faith in the Parish of Clifton. He was justly held in the highest esteem not only by his own parishioners but by the citizens of Staten Island generally. His benefactions were countless, and his efforts were all devoted to promoting the spiritual and temporal good of his flock. Perhaps one of the most beneficent acts of his generosity was the erection, at his own expense of the "Chapel of Ease of Clifton Parish." It is located in the centre of Stapleton, and is devoted to the aged and infirm of the parish. It was completed in July, 1882, at a cost of \$10,000, and was dedicated on the 9th day of that month. It is a handsome, commodious building, well adapted to the uses to which it is put.

The German Evangelical Lutheran Church, at Beach and North St. Paul's Avenue, is one of the few places of worship for people of this denomination on Staten Island. Connected with the Church is a parish school that is well attended. The Church, while comparatively speaking, a young one, is of sturdy strength, and under the ministrations of its present pastor, has increased steadily in membership, and material as well as spiritual growth.

The Stapleton School is housed in a fine brick building in a central and particularly healthful location. The utmost regard has been paid to hygiene and sanitation, and in respect to ventilation, light and heat, it is far better equipped than many of even the more modern school houses of New York City. The main building was erected in 1855, and at that time it was believed to be fully adequate to all possible requirements. In 1876, however, the demands upon the school room space necessitated an extensive addition and a large wing was built which for a time afforded ample accommodations. Again in 1885 it was found necessary to enlarge the school, and another wing of large dimensions was added. At that time there was an average attendance of nearly 1,300 scholars, and the number is still growing. The superintendent and principal, A. Hall Burdick, is assisted by twenty-two teachers, whose standard of proficiency is very high. The school is divided into primary, intermediate and grammar grades, and as the best methods of instruction have been sought out and applied, the opportunities afforded for the education of the children of Stapleton, are not excelled by those of any other community. Connected with the school is an excellent library. An investigation of the methods used in the school leads to the conclusion that they approach perfection as nearly as is possible.

In addition to the excellent public school, there are several educational institutions, of which the Staten Island Academy deserves special notice, as it affords advantages to scholars seldom to be found in suburban places. It was established in September, 1884, under a state charter, and is managed by a Board of Trustees, elected by the stockholders. Systematic courses of instruction are followed, beginning with the primary grade and carried up to the academic grade, affording the fullest opportunity for preparation for the University or schools of technology. In the primary department, the younger scholars receive their preparation for more serious studies in a complete kindergarten, on the Froebel system, two rooms being devoted to this department.

For a place of its size, Stapleton possesses an unusually large number of social, benevolent and other organizations which afford opportunities for recreation, social intercourse and entertainment to the people of the village. There are several flourishing lodges of Free Mason's, Odd Fellows and other fraternal bodies, and a large number of societies devoted to the cultivation of sociality. The Mason's may claim the distinction of being among the first, if not actually the first, to establish a secular society in Stapleton. In 1853 Tompkins Lodge, F. & A. M. received a warrant from the Grand Lodge of the State of New York. The lodge held its first meetings in Stapleton, but in 1856 the lodge room was removed to Masonic Hall in Tompkinsville. Shortly afterward that building was destroyed by fire together with the regalia and the records of the lodge. For the next two years no meetings were held, but in 1859 a second dispensation was granted to Tompkins Lodge, under which the first communication was held in Tompkins Lyceum on April 5th of the above named year. In June 1859, the Grand Lodge issued a warrant to Tompkins Lodge No. 471, and from that time forward it grew steadily in membership. In 1876 the place of meeting was changed from Tompkinsville to Stapleton where it still meets. It is in a flourishing condition and has a membership of about one hundred. The only German Lodge of Masons on Staten Island is also located in Stapleton. It was chartered in September 1875 under the name of "Klopstock Lodge No. 760, F. & A. M." Its lodge room at present is in the Staten Island Savings Bank Building, where meetings are held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. The order of the Odd Fellows is well represented, there being several flourishing lodges in the village, one of which, Solome Lodge, Daughters of Rebecca, No. 46, admits only the unmarried sisters and daughters of Odd Fellows. It meets on the first Thursday of each month and its work is carried on in German. Neptune Lodge I. O. O. F. is the name of a prosperous organization which meets every Thursday evening and has a large membership. Among other bodies that deserve special mention is the German Ladies' Benevolent Society of Staten Island which as its name implies is devoted to the care of the sick and poor. The German Association *Erheiterung* is a social dramatic and musical organization which was organized in 1861 and incorporated four years later. The old "Lyceum" was purchased by it, and in 1874 was remodelled and practically rebuilt at a cost of \$40,000. The meetings of the Association are held here, and periodical entertainments are given in the audience hall which is one of the finest on the island. The membership includes the best German-American residents of Stapleton and neighboring villages beside a number of leading native born citizens. The Dutch American Citizens' Union, is another influential and important body, whose object is the election of honest and efficient men to public offices. It was organized in 1878 and at the present time has over one hundred members, Richmond County Lodge No. 155, Harugari, is a benefit society organized in 1868, and is composed of German speaking citizens in whose language the work of the lodge is conducted. The Staten Island Quartette Club also claims attention as a most respectable and influential German society, devoted to the elevation of musical matters in the village. It was founded in 1861 and has steadily advanced in prosperity and importance, its membership at the present time numbering about two hundred. Among the older societies of the place the Staten Island Lodge No. 18, *Orden der Hermannssohne* is prominent. It was organized in 1858 as a mutual benefit association, in which both sexes are admitted to membership. While not a large organization it is substantial and prosperous. The list of other societies of which space will not admit of extended notice is a long one, including such organizations as Benjamin Brown Lodge 378, A. O. O. W.; Court Staten Island, 7281, A. O. F. of A.; Edgewater Council 137, C. B. S.; Chippewa Council No. 17, O. U. A. M.; Stapleton Canoe Club, and the Staten Island Schützen Corps. The latter was formed in 1872, and its membership includes many of the representative German-American citizens of Stapleton. It holds monthly meetings at Credo's Hotel, and an annual schützen-fest at its shooting-grounds.

REPRESENTATIVE BUSINESS MEN OF STAPLETON.



BANK of STATEN ISLAND,
BAY STREET, STAPLETON.

Not one of the numerous representative business enterprises mentioned in this book is of more importance or is more generally and favorably known than is the Bank of Staten Island, and indeed it would not be overstating the case to say that this institution has been and is an important factor in the promotion of the success attained by many of the leading merchants and manufacturers of this section, for first class, reliable and prompt financial facilities are almost essential to the attainment of pronounced success in these days of strict competition, and the facilities afforded by the bank in question are endorsed by our representative business men and being unsurpassed by those of any financial institution occupying a similar field. Although making it an invariable rule to adhere strictly to legitimate banking principles, the management are as accommodating in their methods as circumstances will allow, and as the services afforded by the institution including everything incidental to the carrying on of a regular banking business of deposit, discount and collection and the issuance of drafts on all parts of the world, the value and scope of the accommodations it offers can hardly be overestimated. One fact worthy of special mention

is, that the checks of this bank are paid in New York through the clearing house, the same as if drawn on any city bank. The New York correspondents of the institution are the Chemical National Bank and the United States National Bank and its relations with the representative financial institutions of the other trade centres of this country are highly favorable. The best possible proof of the high standing of the Bank of Staten Island is afforded by the character of those most prominently identified with it, for the following list of its officers and directors includes the names of some of the most prominent and popular business men of Staten Island; President—Augustus Prentice. Cashier—Otto Ahlmann. Directors—Augustus Prentice, New Brighton; Nathaniel Marsh, Clifton; M. S. Tully, County Treasurer, Tompkinsville; John Westbrook, West New Brighton; John Irving, New Brighton; R. L. H. Fincht, Tompkinsville; Otto Ahlmann, New Brighton. The banking rooms are conveniently located on Bay Street Stapleton, and a competent force of six clerks are employed to ensure prompt attention to all callers. It has a capital, of \$25,000, surplus of \$30,000 and deposits of \$400,000. The bank was incorporated at Tompkinsville in 1885 and in 1887 moved to Stapleton.



SAVINGS BANK BUILDING, OPP. WASHINGTON PARK.

Staten Island Savings Bank. This institution has been ably managed from the very beginning, and is to-day in the hands of men who deserve and receive the unreserved confidence of the community. The bank was never better prepared than now to carry on its good work, and we know of no safer place to put any amount of money than in the custody of this representative institution. The following list of officers will show the kind of men who have charge of affairs, and will go farther than any array of figures could to prove that the public confidence in the bank is well merited: Adolph L. King, President; Chas. F. Zentgraf, 1st Vice-Pres; August Horrman, 2nd Vice-Pres.; H. C. Hagedorn, Cashier. Trustees.—August Horrman, A. L. King, Chas. F. Zentgraf, Geo. S. Scofield, George H. Daley, Chas. L. Gunn, E. C. Bridgman, Louis Benziger, Willy Sonntag, William H. Clark, Ulrich W. Becker, John C. Siemer, Rhd. Siedenburger, Fedor Schmidt, William Koch. The bank is located corner of Beach and Water Sts., opposite Washington Park, and is open daily from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m., and on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 to 8 p. m.

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Beach and Water Streets, Stapleton.—Those identified with the origin and the management of the Staten Island Savings Bank have just reason to be proud of the record the institution has made, for we believe the results attained have been in accord with the most sanguine expectations of the founders. Any enterprise that has a tendency to encourage economy and prudence deserves well of the public, for the most discouraging indication of the present day to the observer of American life is the foolish extravagance practised by those who can least afford it. The Staten Island Savings Bank strikes at the root of this evil by providing a place where small sums may be deposited and put on interest, for the great secret of getting ahead in the world so far as money is concerned, lies in appreciating the importance of small savings. People will complain of the way in which small expenditures count up, without seeming to comprehend that small savings will count up even quicker, being aided by interest, but many have been led to obtain a clearer idea of the matter by observing the result of systematic depositing in the

ATLANTIC * BREWERY, RUBSAM & HORRMAN BREWING CO., STAPLETON, STATEN ISLAND, N. Y.

The Brewing industry has developed with wonderful rapidity of late years in this country, and now represents the investment of many millions of dollars and gives employment directly and indirectly to many thousands of men, while the best skill of ingenious inventors has been applied to the improvement of brewing machinery, and so successfully as to have greatly lessened the cost and increased the certainty of brewing operations. Add to this the fact that the railroads so co-operate with the brewers that their productions are obtainable in about every large city in the country at regular retail rates. The residents of New York city for instance, being able to get beer brewed in the suburbs as cheaply as that made in the city itself, and it would seem as if there would be no difficulty in getting a superior article, and yet one often hears the remark "beer is not what it used to be, I find it hard to get any to suit me." The fact is, the close competition of the present day has caused some brewers to cheapen the quality of their productions, so that those who appreciate and demand a uniformly superior article can be assured of getting it in one way only, informing themselves of a concern that brews strictly first class beer and making it a point to get that brand and no other. None has a higher reputation in this respect than the Rubsam and Horrman Brewing Co. The Atlantic Brewery was incorporated by this company in 1870, and they are its present proprietors. A very extensive plant is utilized, covering ground 600x500 feet in dimensions, while sixty competent men are employed. The choicest quality of malt and hops is used, every process incidental to production is carefully and skillfully carried out, and the result is a beer of absolute purity and unsurpassed flavor that is commended by the most fastidious connoisseurs, and is as wholesome as it is palatable.

EAST INDIA TEA, COFFEE & SPICE CO., Limited, Corner Bay and Canal Streets. STAPLETON, S. I.



STORE, CORNER BAY AND CANAL STREETS.

The establishments conducted under the style of the "East India Tea, Coffee and Spice Co., limited," should certainly be familiar to the public in connection with the sale of teas and coffees, for it has been in operation for many years, the present proprietors assuming control in 1889. As it has been devoted to this trade so long, we feel that it is perfectly safe to assert that this company was never more popular than it is at the present day, for they have proceeded from the first with a determination to make their business second to none in Stapleton, so far as the offering of genuine inducements to the public is concerned, and no better evidence of their success could be

asked for than is supplied by their constantly increasing wholesale and retail trade. Two stores of the dimensions of 50x30 feet are occupied and located on the corner of Bay and Thompson Streets, also corner of Bay and Canal Streets and a remarkably complete stock of fine teas, coffees and spices are carried. Eight well informed assistants are employed and all callers are assured prompt and polite attention. Particular attention is requested to the fresh and varied assortment of goods displayed at this store, as they include only the very best productions. The store corner Bay and Thompson Streets is devoted to general grocery business and the one at corner of Bay and Canal Streets makes a specialty of teas and coffees. Both stores rank high in the estimation of the people of Stapleton.



STORE CORNER BAY AND THOMPSON STREETS.

MRS. HAWKER'S Stapleton Laundry, 247 Bay Street, Stapleton, S. I. P. O. Box 396.—It is unfortunate in more senses than one that some public laundries should not only turn out inferior work, but should injure the articles intrusted to them, for although such laundries form but a very small proportion of the whole number in existence, they have a powerful influence in keeping people from patronizing laundries in general by furnishing some foundation for the greatly exaggerated stories current concerning the destructive effects of laundry work. The truth of the matter is, however, that a well-equipped laundry, skilfully managed, cleanses goods more perfectly, and irons them more thoroughly and handsomely than can be done at home, and the injury to the articles treated is not so great, for they are not handled so roughly, and the various operations are performed by thoroughly skilled hands. Proof of this may be obtained by comparing the results attained at the Stapleton Laundry with those reached in the ordinary private family, for this laundry is a type of the best establishments of its kind, and not only time and trouble but money may be saved by patronizing it. The prices quoted are very reasonable, special rates being made on family washing, and all work is guaranteed to be done in a perfectly satisfactory manner. The Stapleton Laundry is some 1,000 square feet in dimensions, and is equipped with the most improved facilities, and has been under the able management of its present proprietor for the past fifteen years. Mrs. Hawker, who is a native of England, thoroughly understands her business in every detail, and maintains the service at a very high standard of efficiency.

FREDERICK KONOW, Upholsterer and Cabinet Maker, 244 Bay Street, Opposite Stapleton Post-Office, P. O. Box 134; Dealer in Carpets, Linoleum, Oil Cloth and Matting. Parlor Suits and Lounges made to order. Mattresses made over equal to new. Carpets made, refitted and laid.—The residents of Stapleton have good reason to congratulate themselves on the existence of the enterprise carried on by Mr. Frederick Konow, for the simple reason that the ability and energy shown in its management enable them to save money, time and trouble whenever they have occasion to engage the services of an upholsterer or cabinet maker, for Mr. Konow is a thoroughly practical and reliable upholsterer and cabinet maker, and also deals in carpets, linoleum, oil cloths and mattings. He is prepared to make parlor suits, lounges, etc., to order, and to make over and thoroughly renovate mattresses, and to refit and lay all kinds of carpeting. Mr. Konow is a native of Germany, and has carried on his present line of business here in Stapleton since 1885. He occupies premises at 244 Bay Street, opposite post-office, covering an area of 1,500 square feet, where he has every facility for repairing, as well as re-upholstering furniture to order in the best and most satisfactory manner, and at the lowest prices consistent with the use of good materials and the employment of skilled labor. Mr. Konow gives his close personal supervision to all work intrusted to his care, and is, therefore, in a position to guarantee satisfaction to every patron, both as regards the work and the time promised for its completion.

GEORGE F. SCHAEFER, Coroner, Undertaker and Embalmer, 174 Bay Street, Stapleton, Staten Island, N. Y.—The custom of intrusting all the details connected with the burial of the dead to one who makes a specialty of executing such commissions is of comparatively modern origin, for a score of years ago it was the general practice to depend upon the undertaker only for the preparation of the body and the furnishing of the casket and robe, but now a really competent funeral director is prepared to furnish carriages, flowers, and, in short, everything necessary, and to assume entire charge of arrangements at the funeral, thus relieving relatives and friends from duties which are so difficult and trying to render in time of grief. Of course it obviates all anxiety to feel that the execution of arrangements is in perfectly competent hands, and in this connection we may properly make mention of the service offered by Mr. George F. Schaefer, whose establishment is located at 174 Bay Street, Stapleton, for this gentleman is a coroner, and an experienced and skillful undertaker and embalmer, and gives personal and prompt attention to all calls, day or night, and is prepared to take charge of funerals, and to furnish anything in his line of business at moderate rates. Mr. Schaefer is a man of taste as well as of experience, and may be depended upon to exercise wise discretion in the management of funerals which he is chosen to direct.

MRS. P. H. GILL, Dealer in Imported and Choice Millinery Goods, Dress Goods, Dry Goods, Fancy Articles, Etc., 246 Bay Street, Stapleton.—Among the numerous lines of business located here which together combine to achieve for Stapleton an enviable reputation as one of the most enterprising and prosperous localities in Staten Island, it is seldom that we are confronted with one of such unique character as that which is now under comment. The retail millinery and fancy goods business is one which requires the utmost skill, taste and care in the selection of its stock, and we are doing no more than the simple justice which is its due in remarking that the enterprise conducted by Mrs. P. H. Gill has acquired a reputation which is spread all over Stapleton and vicinity. The premises occupied are located at 246 Bay Street, and cover an area of 1,500 square feet, this store being well stocked with a choice assortment of millinery, dress and dry goods, also fancy articles, etc., in great variety. The extensive retail trade of this store gives constant employment to three very capable assistants. Mrs. Gill has been identified with her present establishment since 1882, and the reputation acquired by her since that date is the strongest commendation which can be offered, and we are assured that all correspondence of a business nature entered into with her will redound to the mutual satisfaction of all parties concerned.

GEORGE MEURER, Dealer in House Furnishing Goods, Builders' Hardware, Cutlery China, Glass and Wood Ware, Hot Air Furnaces, Ranges and Stoves. Tin Roofing and Metallic Shingling, 233 Bay Street, near the Park, Stapleton, S. I.—The establishment conducted by Mr. George Meurer, is of the greatest convenience and importance to a place like Stapleton, and is sure to be largely patronized, for Mr. Meurer handles the best goods, and those most likely to be in active and immediate demand in such a community, and puts his prices at such attractive figures that it is worth while to trade with him. He is a native of Germany, and began his present enterprise in 1857, so is thoroughly well and favorably known in this town and vicinity. The premises occupied and located at No. 233 Bay Street, near the park comprise two floors 25x90 feet in dimensions, and the stock comprises house furnishing goods of all kinds, builders' hardware, china and glass, cutlery and wooden ware, etc., hot air furnaces, ranges and stoves, tin roofing and metallic shingling being carefully and properly attended to, and orders will receive immediate attention and be executed at moderate rates. Five reliable and competent assistants are employed, so that all callers receive prompt attention. Mr. Meurer guarantees all work and goods, and enjoys very favorable relations with his patrons.

JOHN COLTON, Horse-Shoer and General Blacksmith, Thompson Street Stapleton, S. I.—Mr. John Colton is a native of Stapleton and has long been prominently identified with the blacksmith's trade being known as one of the most expert blacksmiths and horse shoers in the town. He began his present enterprise in 1869, since when he has materially added to his business and his reputation; his facilities enable him to fill every order without delay, and to do work cheaply as well as durably and neatly. The premises made use of and located at Thompson street comprise a shop, 35x50 feet in dimensions, and is thoroughly equipped in every part, especially as regards the facilities for horse shoeing, of which a speciality is made, lame and interfering horses being shod on the most approved principles by experienced workmen, corns being carefully attended to. All kinds of carriage ironing and wood-work are done, in a superior manner at short notice, employment being given to two competent assistants. Mr. Colton gives particular attention to the shoeing of Horses, and is prepared to do such work in a manner that will suit customers, no rigid rules being followed, but the individual needs of each horse being carefully considered. The prices quoted in the various departments of the business are as low as is consistent with the use of selected material and the employment of skilled labor, and we may say in closing that all work done here is fully warranted in every respect.

LOUIS WINTERMEYER, Dealer in Provisions, Bolognas, Hams, Corned Beef, and Sausages. Shoulders and Delicacies. 264 Bay Street, Stapleton, S. I.—Notwithstanding the large number of meat markets to be found in Stapleton and vicinity, there are none too many of them where strictly dependable goods are sold at fair rates, for it is notorious that at some establishments of this kind it is practically impossible to obtain first-class provisions, etc., at any price. There is an extensive and constantly increasing demand for the better qualities, and we can give no better advice to such of our readers as may want anything in this line than to call at the store No. 264 Bay street, conducted by Mr. Louis Wintermeyer. He is thoroughly acquainted with his business in every detail, and as he gives personal attention to the filling of orders, he is in a position to guarantee prompt and careful service to his patrons. The stock on hand comprises provisions, bolognas and sausages, hams, corned beef, shoulders and delicacies, and whatever you want you can buy it here, to the best possible advantage, for Mr. Wintermeyer caters to all classes of trade, and quotes bottom prices on all his goods. He is a native of Germany and began his present enterprise here some eight years ago, and is well known in Stapleton and vicinity.

GEORGE HEINEMAN, House Mover, Trucking Machineries of every Description; Buildings moved raised, lowered and shored up. Corner Broad and Targee Streets, P. O. Box 261, Stapleton, S. I. All Orders Promptly Attended To.—Ben. Franklin said that "three moves are as bad as a fire;" but in Ben's day they did not have the facilities for moving that we possess, so that saying no longer holds good, although it is a fact that if you don't entrust your goods to the right parties, a single "remove" may do them up worse than an ordinary fire. Still there is no excuse for Stapleton people, who entrust their orders to incompetent hands for during the years that Mr. George Heineman has been in business here as a house mover he has won an enviable reputation for carefulness and promptness, and it is generally known that he possesses exceptional facilities for the satisfactory filling of orders. He is a native of Brooklyn, N. Y., and has a large circle of friends throughout this vicinity. He is a house mover and does trucking of all kinds, machinery and buildings are moved, raised, lowered and shored up, etc., while all orders are promptly attended to at short notice, employment being given to ten reliable assistants. Mr. Heineman's office is at the corner of Broad and Targee streets, where orders may be left or sent to his P. O. box No. 261, and they will be assured prompt and careful attention.

SCHAEFER & SONS, Manufacturers and Dealers in Artistic Furniture and Bedding, Decorative Upholsterers and Cabinet Makers, Office and Salesroom, 182 Bay Street, Warerooms and Shops, 36 Canal Street. P. O. Box 72, Stapleton S. I. Repairing in all Branches. Mattresses made over. Varnishing, etc.—The use of labor saving machinery and the existence of sharp competition among manufacturers and dealers have combined to reduce the cost of furniture to remarkably low figures, and there is no doubt that a dollar will go farther in the purchase of furniture to-day than ever before, provided of course, it is paid to a dealer who has had such experience, has such relations with producers, and carries on a business on such principles as to enable him to give unsurpassed value for money received. Few if any of our readers residing in Stapleton or vicinity, need be informed that Messrs. Schaefer and Sons, answer the above description perfectly, for they have carried on the furniture and bedding business here for many years, are universally known hereabouts and have a most enviable reputation for enterprise and fair dealing. The undertaking conducted by them was established by the present firm, which is composed of Messrs. Carl and Edmund G. Schaefer, the former being a native of Germany and the latter of Stapleton, Staten Island, both being well known in this locality. The office and salesroom are located at No. 182 Bay street, while the warerooms and shops are at No. 36 Canal street, which comprise one floor 26x50 feet in dimensions, and a large wholesale and retail business is carried on, in the manufacture and dealing in artistic furniture and bedding, also decorative upholsterers and cabinet makers, and the repairing of furniture in all branches, mattresses made over, varnishing, etc., etc. A force of four competent workmen are employed and every description of cabinet making and upholstering is done in a superior manner at uniformly moderate prices.

FRED. GARD, Dealer in Crockery, Table and Bar Glassware, Tin Ware, Lamps, Oil Stoves, Oil and Gasoline, 71 Canal Street, Stapleton, S. I. Opposite New Village Hall. Goods delivered to all parts of the Island.—This enterprise was started two years ago by the present proprietor, Mr. Fred Gard, and the most significant evidence that can be given concerning the character and popularity of this house is that afforded by the fact that it is rapidly becoming known throughout this section as the headquarters for china, crockery, glassware, lamps, oil stoves, tin ware, etc. So pronounced a success is not to be gained without hard labor and intelligent work, and Mr. Gard has certainly worked hard, but he has the satisfaction of knowing that his efforts are appreciated by the general public, and is therefore encouraged to continue his efforts with renewed vigor. The premises made use of and located at No. 71 Canal street, opposite New Village Hall, comprise one floor 20x30 feet in dimensions. The stock, which is extensive and varied, consists in part of crockery, table and bar glassware, etc. New and choice goods are always being received, which will be shown with pleasure. Mr. Gard is a native of England, and besides giving his own close personal attention to the business, employs one competent assistant, and courteous attention is given to all customers, and orders are promptly filled.

B. SIEVERDING, Boot and Shoe Store, 87 Broad Street, Corner of Riker Street, Stapleton, S. I. Boots and Shoes Made to Order. Repairing Neatly Done.—Among the many enterprising concerns engaged in the retailing of boots and shoes in Stapleton and vicinity, we know of none which is more active, more reliable, or more generally popular than that of Mr. B. Sieverding, doing business at 87 Broad Street, corner of Riker Street, and the universal popularity of this house is all the more significant from the fact that he has carried on operations here for forty years—certainly long enough for the residents of this section to become thoroughly familiar with their facilities and their methods. The business was founded in 1852 by the present proprietor, and is one of the oldest established enterprises of the kind in the vicinity. Mr. Sieverding is a native of Germany, and gives his close personal attention to customers, and callers will find that the phrase “light expenses, low prices,” as used by this concern, means something, for no lower prices are quoted in this portion of the State on dependable foot-wear than Mr. Sieverding is prepared to name. His stock is “clean” in every department, and comprises all kinds of boots and shoes, and which are also made to order, while repairing is also neatly done at short notice and at moderate prices.

JOHN SPRUCK, Edgewater Market, 219 Bay Street, Stapleton, S. I. Choice Beef, Mutton, Lamb, Veal, Pork, Hams, Bacon and Corned Beef. Poultry, Game and Fish in their Seasons. Fresh Vegetables every day. Shipping Supplied.—It is safe to say that there is not a housekeeper who has had a year or more experience but what has had more or less trouble in getting satisfactory meats, for even expert judges are sometimes deceived when estimating the quality of meat from its appearance, and the ordinary buyer is of course much more apt to make mistakes in selection. The best way to do is to patronize a reliable and experienced dealer, tell him plainly what you want, and allow him to choose for you. Doubtless some of our readers will laugh at this advice and say they prefer to do their own choosing, but nevertheless it is followed by many experienced buyers, and they find the results satisfactory enough to cause them to prefer this method to any other, and it is certainly reasonable to assume that a dealer will do his best to satisfy regular customers, for it is plainly for his interest to do so. Among the most reliable dealers in meats and provisions doing business in Stapleton is Mr. John Spruck, proprietor of the Edgewater Market. This establishment is located at 219 Bay Street and is largely patronized, for Mr. Spruck has carried on operations in this section for about twenty-six years, and has built up an enviable reputation for integrity and enterprise. His stock includes fresh, smoked and salted meats of all kinds, poultry, game and fish in their seasons, also fresh vegetables every day, and all articles dealt in are fully guaranteed to prove as represented. Bottom prices are quoted at all times and prompt and courteous service is assured by the employment of two thoroughly competent assistants.

JACOB ELZER, Fish Market, 259 Bay Street, Stapleton, Staten Island, N. Y.—There is an immense amount of fish consumed daily in this country, and there is no question but what the public health would be benefitted if the consumption were even larger, for science and common sense agree in pronouncing fish to be one of the most healthful of foods as well as one of the cheapest and most palatable. Therefore an enterprise which has a tendency to promote the consumption of fish is worthy of hearty support, and in the case of that conducted by Mr. Jacob Elzer it most certainly receives it, for the fish market conducted by him and located at 259 Bay Street is extremely popular among consumers in Stapleton, the proprietor doing an extensive business in furnishing a large proportion of the fresh, smoked and salted fish used in this section of Staten Island. Operations were begun by Mr. Elzer about 1876, who since that date has so increased his facilities that he is to-day prepared to fill the heaviest orders without delay. This market is conveniently located at the above-named address and covers an area of some 1,500 square feet. A competent force of assistants is constantly employed, thus assuring prompt as well as courteous and intelligent service to the most fastidious patron.

W. ODELL, Tin, Copper and Sheet-Iron Worker, Hot-Air Furnaces, Ranges and Stoves cleaned, Repaired and put up, 27 Water Street, Stapleton, Staten Island.—If fuel cost nothing, and if time were of no value, it might be worth while to use an old and defective stove, range or furnace, but as things are, it is simply foolishly extravagant to do so. Yet many persons think they are practicing economy by using some old rattletrap of a stove, or some range or furnace made after the style of a dozen or more years ago, not appreciating the fact that the modern stove will soon pay for itself by the fuel it saves, to say nothing of the loss of time avoided by its use, for it requires but little attention, and is not only more efficient but more safe than the stoves of days gone by. Nor is the first cost of a modern stove or furnace very great, that is if it be bought of the right parties, and in this connection we may well call attention to the establishment carried on by Mr. W. Odell, at 27 Water Street, for here are the headquarters for hot-air furnaces, ranges and stoves, etc., and customers can choose from the leading styles and be sure of getting their orders filled at bottom prices. This business was established twenty years ago by the present proprietor, who is a native of New Jersey. Premises 20 x 60 feet in size are occupied, and all orders for tin, copper or sheet-iron working are filled at short notice.

H. W. KUENEMUND, Staten Island Seed and Bird Store, Bulbs, Flower and Vegetable Seeds and Plants, Imported and Domestic Birds of all kinds. Gold Fish Depot. Toys, Games and Fancy Goods, Fireworks, Flags and Lanterns. Costumes, also Badges, for Clubs and Societies. 79 Richmond Road, Stapleton, Staten Island.—The establishment conducted by Mr. H. W. Kuenemund, at 79 Richmond Road, has long been a prime favorite with the purchasing public, and its popularity is so thoroughly well deserved, that we take pleasure in making favorable mention of this excellently managed enterprise. The business was founded twenty years ago by the present proprietor. He is a native of Germany and carries on both a wholesale and retail trade. The store, which is known as the “Staten Island Seed and Bird Store,” is very conveniently fitted up and contains as carefully chosen a stock as can be found in this village, for Mr. Kuenemund is an experienced and discriminating buyer and is very successful in selecting just such articles as his customers require. The assortment is so varied and so abundant that detailed mention of it is impossible in these columns, but some idea of its character and completeness may be gained from the fact that it comprises bulbs, flower and vegetable seeds and plants, imported and domestic birds of all kinds, gold fish depot, toys, games and fancy goods, fireworks, flags and lanterns, costumes, badges, etc. The latest novelties are well represented and the prices are in every instance in strict accordance with the lowest market rates. Premises comprising one floor 50 x 30 feet in size are occupied, and all callers are assured prompt and courteous attention at all times, goods being invariably warranted to prove just as represented.

W. WEDEMEYER, Dealer in Fine Groceries, Teas, Coffees, Sugars, Spices, and all Kinds of Fruits and Vegetables in Season. Wines and Liquors. Cor. Bay and Canal Streets, Stapleton, S. I.—It is sometimes very difficult to determine why a certain individual is popular, and is spoken highly of by all his friends and acquaintances, for careful investigation shows that he is neither very wise nor very witty, neither very good-natured nor very sympathetic, and yet he is given the preference over many far abler and better men. It is the same way with stores, to a certain extent for some are very popular without apparent cause, but this is by no means the case with that carried on by Mr. W. Wedemeyer, at the corner of Bay and Canal streets. for its popularity is due to easily discovered causes, such for instance as the carrying of a large and varied stock of fine groceries, especially selected for the family trade; the quoting of uniformly low prices, the prompt and accurate filling of orders, and the assurance given every buyer that all articles shall prove just as represented. This business was founded in 1875, and is one of the most firmly established of any of the kind in this vicinity. The store is spacious and well equipped, and as Mr. Wedemeyer gives personal attention to the details of his business, and employs five competent assistants, every order as well as every patron is assured prompt and satisfactory attention. Mr. Wedemeyer does an extensive wholesale and retail business, handling fine groceries, teas, coffees, sugars, spices, etc., and all kinds of fruits and vegetables in their season, also wines and liquors. Mr. Wedemeyer is a native of Germany, and is very well known in the business circles of Stapleton and vicinity, being President of the Grocers' Association of Staten Island.

SAMUEL CASSIDY, Dry and Fancy Goods, 235 Bay Street, Stapleton, Staten Island, N. Y.—There were many successful establishments in Stapleton when Mr. Samuel Cassidy began operations at 235 Bay street but there is now not one which more successfully fills its special field, and the most convincing proof of this is that afforded by the unanimous endorsement of this store by those to whom it caters. Mr. Cassidy deals in Dry and Fancy Goods of all descriptions. He began operations about five years ago, and as he has given every department of his business, close personal attention from the first he is now thoroughly conversant with it in every detail. He keeps well informed concerning the latest dictates of fashion, and his stock always includes a good representation of the most fashionable novelties, as well as a full assortment of those staple goods which are always in demand. The premises occupied by Mr. Cassidy are very conveniently located, and cover an area of 2,250 square feet. Mr. Cassidy is now well known throughout this section of the state. He employs two thoroughly reliable assistants, and does quite an extensive business, which is both wholesale and retail in character; uniformly moderate prices are quoted in both departments of the business, and indeed, it is often said that there is not a dry goods store in Stapleton where better value is given for money received, than at that conducted by Mr. Samuel Cassidy, at 235 Bay street. This gentleman sells goods at New York prices.

GEORGE JOERGER, Importer and Dealer in Wines and Liquors, Olive Oil, Sardines, Cheese, Etc., Etc., at City Prices. Orders by Mail can be Addressed: P. O. Box 524. Terms Cash 115 Canal Street, Stapleton, Staten Island.—The business conducted by Mr. George Joerger is of six years' standing, and it is safe to assert that no local house in the liquor trade bears a more enviable reputation for supplying goods of standard merit at the lowest market rates. Many prominent retailers obtain the bulk of their supplies at this representative establishment, and dealers who are dissatisfied with their present service and wish to secure goods that will enable them to cater successfully to the most fastidious trade may probably place an order here, for Mr. Joerger is prepared to furnish the choicest liquors and the leading brands of imported and domestic wines, etc., at prices as low as can be quoted on goods of equal merit; olive oil, sardines, cheese, etc., of the finest are also kept in stock and sold at city prices. The premises occupied and located at 115 Canal Street comprise one floor 30 x 67 feet in dimensions, and constantly contain a very carefully chosen stock, Mr. Joerger being in a position to fill the most extensive orders without delay. This gentleman is a native of France, and besides employing one reliable clerk gives his close personal attention to all orders received, which are assured prompt attention.

ULRICH W. BECKER, Druggist and Pharmacist, No. 232 Bay Street, Stapleton, S. I. Pharmacie Francaise. Deutsche Apotheke.—All of us have heard the old proverb, "The proof of the pudding is in the eating," and with equal truth, it may be said that proof of Mr. Ulrich W. Becker's competency and fitness to conduct a first-class Pharmacy is to be found in the enviable record he has made in this capacity during the years he has carried on operations here in Stapleton. The business was originally established in 1877 by the present proprietor, who has steadily developed it, until it has reached very satisfactory proportions. Mr. Becker makes it a rule to keep his stock of drugs, medicines and chemicals constantly complete in every department, and as a consequence he is prepared to compound prescriptions of any kind without delay. He obtains his supplies from the most reliable sources, and neglects no precaution that would tend to insure absolute accuracy in even the the smallest details of prescription compounding. No fancy charges are made, the prices always being as low as is consistent with the use of the best obtainable materials. A full assortment of proprietary medicines, fancy and toilet articles, etc., is always on hand to select from, and as four efficient assistants are employed, everyone, is assured prompt and careful attention.

F. O'HANLON, Hats, Caps, etc., 234 Bay Street, Stapleton, S. I. Agent for Troy Collar and Cuff Laundry.—It is an excellent rule to buy only of men known to be thoroughly reliable whenever possible, and it is not only possible, but easy for the residents of Stapleton and vicinity to buy Hats and Caps from such a dealer, for Mr. F. O'Hanlon is a thoroughly reliable dealer in all such goods, and his store is so conveniently located, at No. 234 Bay street, that there is no excuse for not at least investigating the advantages he offers. The establishment under question was originally opened to the public in 1845, by the the firm of Lee & Morris, who were succeeded by the present proprietor in 1880. Mr. O'Hanlon is a native of Stapleton, and very widely known in both social and business circles of this vicinity, he being at present a School Trustee, and is also an ex Excise Commissioner. Spacious and well appointed premises are occupied, and the stock constantly carried includes not only a carefully chosen assortment of hats and caps, but also all kinds of goods usually found in a first class store of this kind, the goods being of the latest and most fashionable styles. Mr. O'Hanlon is also agent, for the Troy Collar and Cuff Laundry. Moderate prices are quoted in every department of the business, and we are confident that those having dealings with Mr. O'Hanlon will have reason to thank us for calling attention to his facilities.

MRS. GEORGE HOFMANN, Dealer in Boots and Shoes. Men's, Ladies', Misses', and Children's Boots, Shoes and Gaiters constantly on hand. Bay Street, near Canal Street, Stapleton, S. I.—Mrs. George Hofmann became identified with the boot and shoe business at Stapleton over thirty years ago, having assumed control of her present establishment about 1862. The premises occupied by Mrs. Hofmann are located on Bay Street, near Canal Street, and cover an area of 2,250 square feet, where a very heavy stock is carried, for she deals in men's, ladies', misses' and children's boots, shoes and gaiters of all kinds, and caters to all classes of trade. Her assortment includes goods suited to all kinds of wear, and whether a dress boot or a working shoe is wanted, she can fill the want in the most satisfactory manner. Dealing with only reputable manufacturers and wholesalers, she is in a position to guarantee the quality of the goods she handles, and although she does not pretend to sell "below the cost of manufacturers," still there is no more likely place at which to look for bargains, for Mrs. Hofmann is a careful and discriminating buyer, and by watching the market is often able to secure standard articles below the regular rates; but a full assortment of sizes in all standard styles is kept in stock, the result being that a perfect fit is easily obtainable. Mrs. Hofmann is a native of Germany, and is very well known in Stapleton and vicinity. Those in want of anything in the line of foot-wear of warranted quality will find it at Mrs. Hofmann's popular establishment.

WILLIAM H. HERBOLD, Watchmaker and Jeweler, 234 Bay Street, Stapleton, S. I., Next to O'Hanlon, the Hatter. All kinds of Watches, Clocks and Jewelry Carefully Repaired.—We would invite the attention of the residents of Stapleton to the well-known jewelry establishment conducted by Mr. Wm. H. Herbold. This store was originally opened to the public by Mr. Rautenberg in 1883, he being succeeded by the present proprietor in 1892. The premises occupied by Mr. Herbold are located at 234 Bay Street, and the beauty and variety of the goods displayed make it a very attractive and pleasing place to visit. The stock constantly dealt in comprises a fine, varied and extensive assortment of jewelry in the latest styles of fashion and workmanship, also watches, clocks, etc., of the most reliable makes. Mr. Herbold makes a specialty of repairing, and the public are assured of having watches, clocks and jewelry of all descriptions repaired in the best style at short notice and at very reasonable prices. Mr. Herbold is a practical watchmaker and jeweler, and fully understands his business in all its details. The steadily increasing retail trade of this establishment requires the services of thoroughly competent assistants, and perfect satisfaction is guaranteed to patrons of both departments. Mr. Herbold is a native of New York City, and is as well known throughout that city as he is in Stapleton, he being first sergeant in Company B, Ninth Regiment.

JOHN MICHEL, Dealer in Beef, Veal, Mutton, Lamb, Pork, Poultry, Vegetables, Etc., Bay Street, near Water Street, Stapleton, S. I. Hotels and ships supplied at short notice. Telephone connection.—The enterprise conducted by Mr. John Michel is worthy of much more extended mention than the limitations of space enable us to give it, for it is a successful attempt to solve a problem that is of the very first importance—how to get meats, vegetables, etc., before the purchasing public with the least possible handling, and hence in the best possible condition. Mr. Michel is a dealer in beef, veal, mutton, lamb, pork, poultry, vegetables, etc. Mr. Michel, who is a native of Germany, began operations in his present line of business at Stapleton some twenty-five years ago, and has built up an extensive and select patronage, for the public are generally quick to appreciate genuine inducements, and the inducements he offers are in some respects unequalled. Despite the exceptionally fine quality of the goods handled, no fancy prices are quoted, for a considerable item of expense is saved by obtaining goods direct from producers, and therefore no difficulty is met with in meeting all honorable competition. The premises utilized cover an area of 2,500 square feet and are located on Bay Street, near Water Street. Mr. Michel employs three thoroughly reliable assistants, and caters not only to first-class family trade, but is also prepared to supply hotels and ships at short notice, and in a very thoroughly satisfactory manner. Mr. Michel gives close personal attention to every detail of his business and maintains the service at a high standard of efficiency, all orders being assured accurate fulfillment and prompt delivery.

JOHN McDOWELL, Custom Tailor, 255 Bay Street, Stapleton, Staten Island, N. Y.—There are some men who are so shaped that they have little difficulty in finding ready-made clothing that will fit them almost to perfection, but the great majority find it hard and in most cases impossible to get ready-made garments that will fit and "hang" right after they have been worn a little while; for a garment that is anywhere near the right size and proportion will look well as long as it has not become wrinkled and shaped to the body, so that a little wear is necessary in order to find out whether clothing is good fitting or not. The most of us have our clothing made to order if we want a really good fit, and we feel that we are doing our readers a favor in calling their attention to the facilities offered by Mr. John McDowell, for he is a skillful custom tailor, and what is more he does work at low rates as well as in strictly first-class style. Mr. McDowell has been identified with the tailoring business in Stapleton for the past forty years, and now occupies premises at 255 Bay Street, covering an area 875 square feet. He employs help enough to insure the prompt filling of orders, but gives personal attention to cutting and fitting and takes particular pains to see that no inferior work leaves his shop. We can guarantee satisfaction to every reasonable customer, and those who place one order with Mr. McDowell will surely come again when they wish anything more in his line.

GEORGE BEAR, Photo-Artist, Instantaneous Portraits and Landscapes, 40 Beach Street, Stapleton, Staten Island. P. O. Box 154.—Few people aside from those connected with the profession have any idea of the number of things that must be attended to in order to produce a good photographic likeness, and if more were generally known regarding the difficulties that must be met and overcome there would be much less surprise expressed at the rarity of really good photographs. Among the best equipped artists in this line in this section is Mr. George Bear, whose studio is located at 40 Beach Street, Stapleton. This studio was started twelve years ago by the present proprietor and measures 35 x 20 feet in size, and every attention is paid to the comfort and convenience of patrons, prompt attention being given to every caller, and every needful facility being at hand to enable orders to be filled at short notice in an eminently first-class manner. Only competent assistants are employed and the work done at this studio is very carefully finished, and a specialty is made of taking instantaneous portraits and landscapes, securing a perfect picture and at the same time preserving that softness of outline so indispensable. Mr. Bear, who is a native of Germany, is remarkably low in his prices and courteous in his dealings.



BAY ST., BETWEEN UNION AND SAND STS., STAPLETON.

L. BRUNS, Dealer in Fancy and Staple Groceries, Fine Wines and Brandies, Fruits and Vegetables, Wholesale and Retail, 73 Richmond Road, Stapleton, Staten Island.—A store where callers are treated politely is much more likely to be patronized liberally than one where the opposite policy is pursued. Indeed, practical examples of this may be found on every side, and one of the most striking is that afforded by the enterprise carried on by Mr. L. Bruns. His store is located at 73 Richmond Road and measures 30 x 75 feet in size. The great popularity which this business has attained since its inception fourteen years ago is due largely to the prompt and polite attention which is given to every caller. Mr. Bruns deals extensively in fancy and staple groceries, together with fine wines and brandies, fruits and vegetables, doing both a wholesale and retail trade. Great care and attention is paid to his tea and coffee trade, the choicest and best flavored brands being always in stock, and satisfaction is guaranteed. He is a native of Germany and is very generally known and respected here. He gives close personal attention to the many details of his business. Employment is given to five assistants, thus assuring uniformly prompt service, while goods are delivered to any part of Staten Island, and no pains are spared by the proprietor to keep up his well-earned reputation.

A. SILBERMAN, Roofing, Tin and Sheet Iron Worker, Tinware. All kinds of Metal Work done. Gutters and Leaders. Stoves and Roofs Repaired, Roofs Painted, Etc., 113 Broad Street, Stapleton, Staten Island.—If there is any roofing, either new or repairing to be done, it is always best to intrust it to responsible and reliable parties, for the only practical way to prove that a job of this kind is done as it should be is to subject it to the test of actual wear, and until this has been done no one but an expert can tell whether the roof is sound or leaky, but there is no difficulty in finding a man who will guarantee satisfaction to his patrons, for there are any number of such in this locality, and among them all there is not one more worthy of confidence than Mr. A. Silberman, doing business at 113 Broad Street. The enterprise carried on by him was established three years ago, and his present standing has been honestly won by hard and conscientious labor. Roofing of all kinds is done in a thorough manner at short notice, gutters and leaders will be put up and repaired, and old leaky roofs made tight, while no pains are spared to make every job durable and satisfactory. Stoves are also repaired, and all kinds of tin and sheet iron working. Three men are employed and no exorbitant rates are charged. Mr. Silberman is a native of Germany, and the premises occupied measure 15 x 30 feet in dimensions.

G. P. SAVACOOOL, Baker and Confectioner, No. 112 Bay Street, Stapleton, S. I.—The popularity of an establishment does not always depend upon the pretensions it makes, and so true is this, that it may even be said that some of the most unpretentious establishments, are actually the most genuinely popular. As a prominent example we would point to the one conducted by Mr. G. P. Savacool, at 112 Bay street, Stapleton, for while this does not pretend to be the representative store in any sense of the word, still it is so popular in this neighborhood that the public could not easily get along without it, or at least would make serious objections to its being closed. Mr. Savacool has carried on his present enterprise since 1888, and built up a growing trade in choice bread, cake, pastry and confectionery. The premises occupied cover an area of some 1,875 square feet, and are very neat and attractive in appearance. The excellence of the articles bought here is noted, it being the policy of the proprietor to furnish only such as will give entire satisfaction, and to offer them at the lowest rates. Mr. Savacool is a native of New Jersey, and is very well known throughout Stapleton and vicinity, he has gained an excellent reputation by his accommodating and intelligent business methods.

ADOLPH PAPE, Agent for Paragon Steel Plate Furnace, and Fidelity Range, Estimates Cheerfully Given. Stapleton, S. I.—The enterprise conducted by Mr. Adolph Pape, has been carried on by him for the past thirteen years, having had its inception about 1879. Mr. Pape is a native of Germany and is well known throughout this village and vicinity. He is a manufacturers' agent for the sale of the "Paragon Steel Plate Furnace" and the Fidelity Range, and constantly has on hand a very complete stock, the good qualities of them being known all over; the Paragon Furnace combining equalized draft, perfect combination, and freedom from gas and dust, while the Fidelity Range saves room in kitchen, expense in plumbing and labor in management, etc., while the policy of Mr. Pape may be expressed in very few words: "dependable goods at low prices." The premises occupied and located in this village comprise one store 30x33 feet in dimensions. Employment is given to two competent and well informed assistants, and although an extensive business is done, orders are assured prompt and careful attention, while all articles are sold strictly on their merits, being guaranteed to prove precisely as represented in every respect. Estimates will be cheerfully given.

HENRY WINSCH, Dealer in Teas, Coffees, Spices, Provisions, etc. Wines, Liquors and Segars, 159 Broad Street, Stapleton, S. I.—The enterprise conducted by Mr. Henry Winsch should be given a leading position among others of a kindred character, carried on in this vicinity; and, indeed the public have long since given it such a position, for they are generally quick to appreciate energy and integrity, and these are prominent characteristics of the management of the enterprise in question. Mr. Winsch is a native of this village and has carried on his present establishment for the past two years, having succeeded to the business established by Mr. Fred. Winsch thirty-two years ago. He is a retail dealer in Teas, Coffees, Spices and Provisions, etc., Wines, Liquors and Cigars, and quotes the lowest prices for cash on goods of sterling merit. A spacious store is utilized and located at No. 159 Broad Street, measuring 30x55 feet in dimensions, and a large and carefully chosen and varied stock is carefully chosen and varied stock is constantly on hand. Employment is given to two assistants, so that orders are filled at short notice and assured prompt delivery. Mr. Winsch makes prominent specialties of Wines and Liquors and is prepared to furnish goods that will suit the most fastidious tastes at remarkably low prices, while all callers are assured of receiving prompt and careful attention.

GARRETSON'S Staten Island and New York Express, Staten Island Office, 28 Water Street. Garretson's Dining Room, 1 Lispenard Street, 8 Church Street. One of the largest and most reliable Express Companies in this part of the state is the one known as Garretson's Staten Island and New York Express. The establishment was founded twenty years ago, by the present Proprietor Mr. H. Garretson who has since conducted the business. The different offices are situated at No. 8 Church and No. 1 Lispenard Streets. New York, and No. 28 Water Street, Staten Island. Orders may be sent or left at these localities, and will be promptly attended to. There are daily deliveries each way between Staten Island and New York, and all goods are delivered with promptness. This gentleman employs three competent and reliable men and uses quite a number of horses. All expressing is done in the most careful manner by men who are trustworthy and experienced, and are competent. The prices will be found uniformly moderate, made by the proprietor who is a native of Staten Island.

MRS. ELIZA BOCK, Hair Goods, 270 Bay Street, Stapleton, Staten Island, N. Y.—If the ladies of Stapleton are looking for stylish as well as durable hair goods, they need not go to New York to obtain them, for Mrs. Eliza Bock furnishes them at New York prices, and has a very carefully selected stock of everything in this line, and is prepared to do the most exacting order work in accordance with the latest and most artistic style and taste. She carries a fine assortment of every description of hair goods, and if the residents of Stapleton desire anything in her line, they should most certainly visit her establishment, located at 270 Bay Street. Mrs. Bock, who is a native of Germany, has been identified with her present business in Stapleton for the past thirteen years, having opened her establishment to the public in 1880. She has built up a first-class and steadily increasing trade by giving close personal attention to her business, and employing only thoroughly reliable assistants. Her store is well and centrally located and finely arranged for the display of her stock, which is as varied as it is excellent in both style and quality. Mrs. Bock is fully appreciative of the cordial reception her enterprise has received from the public, and is determined to deserve a continuance of hearty support by maintaining it at the highest standard of efficiency.

JOHN ZSCHIRNER, Butcher, 47 Canal Street, Stapleton, Staten Island.—Among the meat markets located in this village, few are better known than that carried on by Mr. John Zschirner. Business was established here by him some seven years ago. He is a native of Stapleton and his store has long been highly popular with the most careful buyers. The premises occupied and located at 47 Canal Street comprise one store 25 x 35 feet in dimensions. A complete and varied stock is always carried, consisting of meats, provisions and vegetables, etc. This gentleman has had many years of experience in his present line of business, to which he gives close personal attention, while everything sold here will be found to prove as represented and the prices average as low as the lowest when the quality of the goods is considered. Two reliable assistants are employed, so that customers are waited upon promptly and with consideration. Mr. Zschirner, who is well known in this neighborhood, is also highly esteemed. His numerous customers testify to the superior advantages for procuring a good variety of first-class meats which they find at this store, while all tastes and all purses can be suited, so complete and varied is the stock of all kinds offered.

HENRY MEYER, Dealer in Fine Confectionery, Ice-Cream, No. 229 Bay Street, P. O. Box 341, Stapleton, S. I. Hotels, Stores, Excursions, Pic nics, Parties and Families supplied at the shortest notice.—There are very few people but what like ice-cream, that is when it is made of first-class materials, and is properly flavored, and skilfully frozen, and it is very easy to get such cream, if you know where to look for it, for instance, at the establishment conducted by Mr. Henry Meyer. He is a native of Germany, and has a large circle of friends in Stapleton, having begun his present business here some fifteen years ago. Mr. Meyer is prepared to furnish superior confectionery, and ice cream in quantities to suit, for he does both a wholesale and retail business. The premises occupied are located at 229 Bay street and cover 1,500 square feet of floorage. A large variety of choice confectionery, as well as pure ice-cream is dealt in, and orders from hotels, stores, excursions, pic-nic, parties, and families will be supplied at very short notice, the lowest market rates being quoted at all times, the prices being moderate enough to suit even the most economically disposed.

H. POTTHOFF, Fine Watches and Jewelry, 206 Bay Street, Stapleton, S. I. Special Attention paid to the Repairing of Fine Watches.—It is all very well to caution the public against buying watches, jewelry, etc., from unknown and irresponsible dealers, but the fact that such caution is required, is not altogether creditable to some of the best known and most reliable houses engaged in this line of trade, for it is owing to their practice of "charging extra for their name" that many persons prefer to take their chances of buying elsewhere. We say *some* of the best known houses, for this policy is by no means common to them all, as is proved by the fact that Mr. H. Potthoff, who is one of the most reliable jewelers in Stapleton, not only charges nothing extra for his "name," but quotes prices averaging considerably lower than those named on similar goods by the majority of other dealers. He is enabled to do this by the magnitude of his business, and his favorable relations, with manufacturers and jobbers, and as he caters to all classes of trade, and accommodates his patrons in every way, it is not surprising that his store should be one of the most popular of its kind. Mr. Potthoff has been engaged in the jewelry business for many years, and opened his present establishment at Stapleton, in 1872. It is located at 206 Bay street, and always contains a choice selection of watches, clocks and jewelry, of all kinds. Mr. Potthoff, is a native of Germany, and has gained the reputation of being a thoroughly reliable jeweler. He pays particular attention to repairing of jewelry, clocks, etc., all such work being neatly and promptly done at very moderate prices.

FRED A. LAMBERT, Dealer in Choice Beef, Veal, Mutton, Lamb, Poultry, Game, &c., in Season, 237 Bay Street, Stapleton, S. I.—We eat a great deal of meat in this country, more in proportion to population than any other civilized nation, and it is a noteworthy fact, that the choicest and highest priced cuts are the easiest to dispose of, this being the experience of every butcher in the United States who caters to the general class of trade. As a natural consequence it is sometimes difficult to get really choice cuts of beef, veal, mutton, lamb, etc., and in calling attention to the meat market carried on by Mr. Fred A. Lambert, at 237 Bay street, we may give some of our readers a useful hint, when we say that Mr. Lambert makes a specialty of choice cuts, and it is very seldom that he cannot fill the most particular orders in a perfectly satisfactory manner. But it would be wrong to infer from this, that only the class of trade to whom "money is no object" is catered to, for quite the contrary is the case the stock containing goods suited to all tastes and all purses. and the prices being as low as the lowest. This business was founded some twenty-five years ago, coming into the possession of the present proprietor in 1888. Mr. Lambert, is a native of Stapleton, and very well known throughout the business circles of this section of Staten Island. The premises occupied, are located at 237 Bay street, and cover an area of 2,500 square feet, being conveniently fitted up for the proper handling, of the goods dealt in, which includes beef, veal, mutton, lamb, etc., also poultry and game in their season. Three competent assistants are constantly employed, and every caller is promptly, as well as intelligently served.

WM. M. WERMERSKIRCH, Notary Public, Real Estate Broker, and Fire Insurance Agent, Cabin and Steerage Tickets to and from Europe. Drafts on Great Britain, Ireland and the Continent of Europe. Money to loan on Bond and Mortgage. No. 184 Bay Street, Stapleton, S. I.—Among the many real estate and fire insurance agencies located in Stapleton, there are a few which from their long and honorable standing, their superior facilities and the magnitude of their operations, are clearly entitled to be classed as representative in the full sense of that much abused word, and prominent among these, is that conducted by Mr. Wm. M. Wermerskirch, at No. 184 Bay street. This business was established in 1877, and has held its present leading position for many years, the present proprietor having been identified with it from the first. He is a native of Germany, but without doubt is, well-known a business man as there is in Stapleton, being largely interested in local real estate. Mr. Wermerskirch has been a notary public for the past thirty-one years, and gives careful and expert attention to the drawing up and acknowledging of deeds and other papers. A general real estate business is transacted; including buying, selling, and renting, also the full care of estates will be assumed for non-resident owners, and others, the interests of clients being carefully guarded. Large or small loans will be made on mortgages, also cabin, and steerage tickets procured to and from Europe, as well as Drafts on Great Britain, Ireland and the Continent of Europe. Fire Insurance will be effected in standard companies on the most favorable terms. Among those represented being the Hamburg Bremen, Commercial Union Association, London Lancashire, Hartford Merchants, and London Assurance Corporation. All business communications addressed to Wm. M. Wermerskirch, 184 Bay street, are assured immediate and careful attention, and will be most satisfactorily and intelligently acted upon.

MRS. E. LAIGNET, French Dyeing and Cleaning of every description. Ladies' and Gentlemen's Garments Cleaned, Dyed and Repaired. Crape Refinished Equal to New. Feathers Cleaned, Curled and Dyed in all New Shades. Fine Laces, and Lace Curtains a Specialty. Unsurpassable Kid Glove Cleaning. 269 Bay Street, P. O. Box 210, Stapleton, S. I.—Few of us have a larger income than we can conveniently spend, and indeed, the large majority of people often find it rather difficult to "make both ends meet," so that any enterprise which has a tendency to reduce expenses, cannot fail to be of interest to the public. The item of dress, is one of the most important to be considered when making out a list of expenses, and it is right here that many people waste a lot of money, simply because they don't know how to take advantage of the opportunities presented to dress cheaply, as well as neatly and fashionably. A garment may be made to look as well as ever, by being properly cleaned, dyed or repaired, and yet how many folks throw away clothing that is perfectly sound and whole, simply because it is soiled or discolored. We are aware that a widespread prejudice exists against cleaning and dyeing, by reason of the miserably poor work done in some establishments, but there is no sense in judging the many by the few, and we have no hesitation in positively assuring our readers that the work done at the "French Dyeing and Cleaning Establishment," located at 269 Bay street, will satisfy the most fastidious, for the proprietress Mrs. E. Laignet, has had years, of experience, and has every facility at her command to handle the most delicate fabrics, without injuring them in the least. Mrs. Laignet, is a native of France, and has carried on her present enterprise since 1880. She has established a reputation second to none for the filling of orders promptly, satisfactorily, and at moderate prices, and is prepared to do French Dyeing and cleaning of every description. Ladies' and gentlemen's garments will be cleaned, dyed and repaired. Crape refinished equal to new. Feathers cleaned, curled and dyed in all the new shades, a specialty being made of fine lace, lace curtains, and kid glove cleaning. Five courteous and thoroughly reliable assistants are constantly employed, thus assuring prompt attention to every patron. We therefore hope our readers will make trial of the resources of this well managed establishment.

R. W. SILLES, Practical Plumber, Gas and Steam Fitter, 217 Bay Street, opposite the Stapleton Park, Residence 25 Jackson Street, near Beach. Jobbing Promptly attended to. Estimates cheerfully furnished. P. O. Box 225.—In placing an order for plumbing, gas or steam fitting work, it should be borne in mind that although theoretical or “book knowledge” is an excellent thing in its way, still it by no means takes the place of that other kind of knowledge, that can only be gained by practical experience. Every intelligent person, has some idea of the importance of proper drainage, etc., and every intelligent person should know that it is worth while to take some trouble to see that whoever is entrusted with such work, is a competent and responsible party. Mr. R. W. Silles, has been identified with the plumbing, gas and steam fitting business, for the past twenty years, having began business here in Stapleton in 1872, and has thus had a wide experience in all branches of business. He gives close personal attention to every detail of his work, and no better man can be found with whom to place any orders of the above named kinds. Mr. Silles, residence is located at 25 Jackson street, near Beach street, and his business premises at 217 Bay street opposite Stapleton Park, and all orders left at either of these addresses will be promptly and intelligently attended to. Employment is given to twelve thoroughly competent men, this number can be largely added to if occasion requires. Mr. Silles is a native of Stapleton, and now holds the office of captain of Fire Police. He will cheerfully furnish estimates on new work, and promptly attend to jobbing of all kinds, and is well known in Stapleton and vicinity to be reasonable in his charges, as well as first-class in his work.

ALEXANDER BUGLER, Confectioner and Baker, 75 Canal Street, Stapleton, Staten Island. Weddings and Parties Supplied.—Among the varied industries pursued in Stapleton, “Bugler’s” bakery holds a prominent place in the trade center. This establishment was begun some five years ago by the present proprietor, Mr. Alexander Bugler, who during the time since elapsed has most ably managed his establishment. The bakery is located at 75 Canal Street and is of the dimensions of 25 x 60 feet in size. The extensive retail business transacted requires the services of three thoroughly capable assistants. The energies of the house are devoted to the manufacture of bread, cake and pastry of all kinds as well as in dealing in confectionery, etc. Therefore we take pleasure in calling the attention of our readers to this first-class and thoroughly reliable establishment. The proprietor, Mr. Bugler, is a native of Germany and is very well known throughout Stapleton, and we feel justified in commending both the establishment and its wide-awake proprietor to the favorable attention of all housekeepers and others desirous of finding a first-class baker and confectioner, whose products can be implicitly relied upon. A specialty made of fine confectionery of all kinds. Low prices and honorable dealing are distinguishing characteristics of this concern.

B. SPINDLER, Family Market, 152 Canal Street, Stapleton, Staten Island.—When one has learned where to buy meats to the best advantage, one of the most vexatious problems incidental to housekeeping has been solved, for it is the common experience that more trouble is met with in doing this than in buying anything else in the line of food products. Every housekeeper knows that it is very important to personally select the meats used, but many have no time to visit a store and do their marketing, and so they describe what they want as accurately as possible and depend upon the butcher to make the selection, the usual result being that both parties suffer,—the purchaser because he doesn’t get what he wants, and the butcher because he doesn’t satisfy his customer. An excellent and easy way to avoid this is to deal with Mr. B. Spindler, for he runs a cart through Stapleton and brings his meats directly to the residences of patrons so they all may choose for themselves. His assortment is varied, his goods the best the market affords and his prices low, so it is very natural that he should have already built up a large and desirable trade since beginning operations in the early part of the current year. He is a native of this village and employs two reliable assistants at his family market located at 152 Canal Street.

JOHN H. LANGE, Groceries, 119 Broad Street, Stapleton, Staten Island.—There are many grocery stores in Stapleton of various degrees of merit, and as a whole the public are excellently served, the local grocers comparing favorably as regards enterprise and reliability with those of any city or town of which we have knowledge, but it is inevitable that some should strive harder to satisfy their patrons than others, and among those who do so mention should be made of Mr. John H. Lange, doing business at 119 Broad Street, where he carries on a well-stocked family grocery, and quotes the lowest market rates on goods that are fully warranted to prove as represented. Mr. Lange gives personal attention to the filling of orders, and mistakes are of very rare occurrence, goods being accurately delivered promptly at the time promised. The premises occupied comprise one floor 25 x 45 feet in dimensions. Both large and small buyers are given equally courteous and careful attention, and as a natural consequence this store is very popular and is being more liberally patronized every year, which is gratifying to all who appreciate honorable and energetic methods. Mr. Lange is a native of Germany and began his present enterprise here in 1874, so is well known in this locality.

EDWARD WINTERS, Dealer in Paper, Paper Bags, Twine, Manilla, Tissue and Tea Papers, Flour Sacks, Butter Dishes, Etc., Etc. Fine Job Printing of Every Description.—It is unquestionably a fact that the larger a stock is, other things being equal, the more chance there is to find just what you want at that store, but many people make the mistake of judging the attractiveness of a stock by its size alone, and so jump at the conclusion that the great city stores, for instance, offering the immense assortment that they do must consequently offer inducements which no smaller establishment can equal. Now this by no means follows, for making the comparison between a great city store and that conducted by Mr. Edward Winters in this village, it will be found that while of course the city store contains much the larger stock, that carried by Mr. Winters is selected expressly to suit local trade, and is actually more desirable for the residents of Stapleton and vicinity to choose from; and another thing, the city store caters more to transient than to regular customers, the Stapleton house must depend for its support principally upon regular patrons and hence consults its own interest by striving to make every customer a permanent one by treating him or her honorably and liberally. A large proportion of the residents of Stapleton appreciate the advantages gained by patronizing home enterprise, and hence Mr. Edward Winters does an extensive wholesale and retail business and is thus enabled to buy and sell cheaply. Operations were begun in 1867 by Messrs. E. Winters and Son, who were succeeded by the present proprietor in 1879. He is a native of Brooklyn, N. Y., and carries a varied and large stock of paper, paper bags, twine, manilla tissue and tea papers flour sacks, butter dishes, etc. Two competent and reliable clerks are employed, and prompt and polite attention is assured to every caller.



BAY STREET, OPP. THE PARK, STAPLETON.

CHAS. E. FADER, Manufacturer of and Dealer in Fine Havana and Domestic Cigars Snuff, Smoking and Chewing Tobaccos, Pipes and Smokers' Articles, No. 49 Canal street, Stapleton, S. I.—The making of a cigar has about as much to do with its desirability, as the material of which it is composed has, and we know all old smokers will agree with us regarding this statement, for there is no one who makes a habit of smoking, but what has more or less frequently come across a cigar that it was impossible to enjoy, even though it was made of a good grade of tobacco. The importance of having cigars properly made is thus apparent, and it follows that the manufacturers who turn out uniformly good work are assured of a prosperous business, an example of which may be seen in the trade built up by Mr. Chas. E. Fader, since he began operations in 1882. This gentleman is well known throughout Stapleton and vicinity, being a native of this place. His premises are at No. 49 Canal street. Mr. Fader deals in fine Havana and Domestic Cigars, snuff, smoking and chewing tobacco, pipes and smokers' articles; he handles only the best grades of cigars, tobacco, etc. and is in a position to quote bottom prices, and his growing trade shows how this fact is appreciated.

GEORGE W. ALSTON, Dealer in Choice Groceries and Meats, 114 Bay Street, cor. of Elizabeth Street, Stapleton, S. I. Shipping Supplied.—Among the many grocery and provision stores located in Stapleton, few are better known than that now carried on by Mr. George W. Alston, for this establishment was founded twenty-five years ago by Mr. Winters, who was succeeded by the present proprietor in 1889. Mr. George W. Alston is a native of West Brighton, and is highly popular with the most careful buyers throughout Stapleton and vicinity. Premises located at 114 Bay street, cor. of Elizabeth are occupied, and courteous and reliable assistants are required to attend to the heavy patronage enjoyed. The stock carried at this establishment will compare favorably in all essential features, with that of any similar house in Stapleton, for it is both large and varied, and comprises choice family groceries, meats, etc., special attention being paid to supplying shipping. Mr. Alston does not place his prices so high that none but the favored few can afford to trade with him, but offers such decided inducements that experienced buyers feel they can hardly afford to trade elsewhere. Everything sold here is guaranteed to prove just as represented, and the prices average as low as the lowest, when the quality is considered.

BENJAMIN BROWN, Successor to S. C. Hall, Coal and Wood, 257 Bay Street, Stapleton, Staten Island. Orders Received by Telephone.—It is thirty-one years since the business now conducted by Mr. Benjamin Brown was founded, operations having been begun in 1862 by Mr. S. C. Hall, who successfully carried on the business up to 1889, when he was succeeded by the present proprietor. The same liberal and progressive methods are still adhered to that have always characterized the management of this house. The premises occupied and located at 257 Bay Street measure 100 x 500 feet, with a water front of 100 more feet. A large trade is carried on in coal and wood at retail, and the prices on all the commodities dealt in are always in accordance with the lowest market rates for goods of equal quality. Fifteen competent assistants are employed and all callers are assured prompt and courteous attention. Mr. Brown, who is a native of New York City, was formerly sheriff of the county and president and treasurer of this village, also chief engineer of Fire Department, so is well and favorably known throughout Staten Island and has the reputation for carrying out every agreement entered into, so that his patronage is steadily increasing under his skillful management and methods.

**JULIUS C. MULLER,**

DEALER IN

Builders' Hardware, Cutlery, Etc.,

203 BAY STREET, STAPLETON, S. I.

Address: P. O. Box 550.

The enterprise conducted by Mr. Julius C. Muller, was founded in 1875 by Mr. Jacob Gunseth, who carried on the present business until nine years ago when the present Proprietor took its management. He is a native of Stapleton, and well and favorably known in this locality. The premises made use of, and located at No. 203 Bay Street, next to Bank of Staten Island, comprise one floor 26 x 89 feet in dimensions, having been erected recently by Mr. Muller to accommodate his increasing trade. One of the largest stocks of Builders' Hardware, Cutlery, etc., is carried to be found in this country, while a very extensive wholesale and retail business is carried on. Mr. Muller is in a position to quote the lowest figures to both large and small buyers and to guarantee goods he sells to prove just as represented. Three reliable assistants are employed while all orders are given prompt attention and are accurately filled. The extent and variety of the building interests of Staten Island create a large and constant demand for Builders supplies, making the business of those engaged in supplying such commodities a very important one, so that no apology is necessary for calling our readers attention to the above named enterprise of Mr. Muller, who is so prominently identified with this line of trade.

JOHN BRENNAN, Cigars, Tobacco, Confectionery and Fruits. No. 148 Broad Street, Stapleton, S. I.

—Generally speaking every penny paid out for fruit is well invested, for no one article of food is more healthful, and fresh ripe fruit used in reasonable moderation, will save many a doctor's bill, as well as a good deal of discomfort and even positive suffering. But it is of the first importance that the fruit should be sound, and ripe, and therefore some discrimination should be exercised in its purchase, for dealers who do not give especial attention to the handling of fruit, are apt to keep what they do handle so long that it becomes in some cases totally unfit to eat, although it may not appear so. Mr. John Brennan, makes a speciality of fruits of all kinds, and his assortment will always be found fresh and desirable. He quotes the lowest market rates, and those wishing anything in the fruit line, would do well to call at his store No. 148 Broad street, and there make their selection. Mr. Brennan is a native of Stapleton, and founded his present business, ten years ago. He does not confine himself to handling fruit, by any means, but also deals in cigars, tobacco and confectionery, etc., a full line is on hand to choose from, and a visit to the store will prove both pleasant and profitable.

JOSEPH DACEY, Boots and Shoes, etc., No. 138 Broad Street, Stapleton, S. I.—Mr. Joseph Dacey is a native of Italy, and has carried on custom shoe making for the past eight years. He has been so thoroughly identified with the advancement of Stapleton's best interests that he must almost be registered as a native of the village, by adoption. He began business as a custom boot and shoe maker in 1884 and has continued ever since. The premises occupied, and located at No. 138 Broad street, comprises one floor 10x25 feet in dimensions, and the stock carried, embraces a full line of boots, shoes and rubbers, while men's boots are made to order from \$3.00 up, and all kinds of repairing is neatly done. One competent assistant is employed and all orders are promptly attended to, while the prices quoted are always in accordance with the lowest market rates. Mr. Dacey is also prepared to undertake the manufacture of fine boots and shoes to measure, while repairing is neatly and promptly done to order, and prices on his goods and work will be found moderate and just in all instances, and will compare favorably with any quoted on work of equal excellence, while all callers receive prompt and polite attention at all times.

HENRY SCHILD, Dealer in Crockery, Glass, Wooden and Hardware, 133 Broad Street, P. O. Box 580, Stapleton, S. I. Also Dealer in Brewery Grains and Sprouts. All Orders Promptly Attended To.—All of us cannot be collectors of antique, curious or artistic china and crockery ware, for this pursuit is a very expensive one, and can be followed only by the very rich, but all of us can at least use as beautiful crockery ware in our houses and homes as our circumstances will permit, and it may be said, that now-a-days, a little money will go a great ways in purchasing goods of this kind. Should any of our readers doubt this, we will simply refer them to the establishment conducted by Mr. Henry Schild, at No. 133 Broad street, for here may be found an immense and tastefully chosen assortment of crockery and glassware, wooden and hardware, etc., and the prices are certainly low enough to suit the most economically disposed. The premises comprise one floor 25x35 feet in dimensions, and the large stock is arranged to

such excellent advantage, that examination is easy and pleasant. Employment is given to six reliable assistants, and goods are cheerfully shown at any time, every caller being assured prompt, and polite attention. This enterprise was founded sixteen years ago by the present proprietor, who is a native of Germany, and is also a dealer in brewery grains and sprouts, and all orders are promptly attended to.

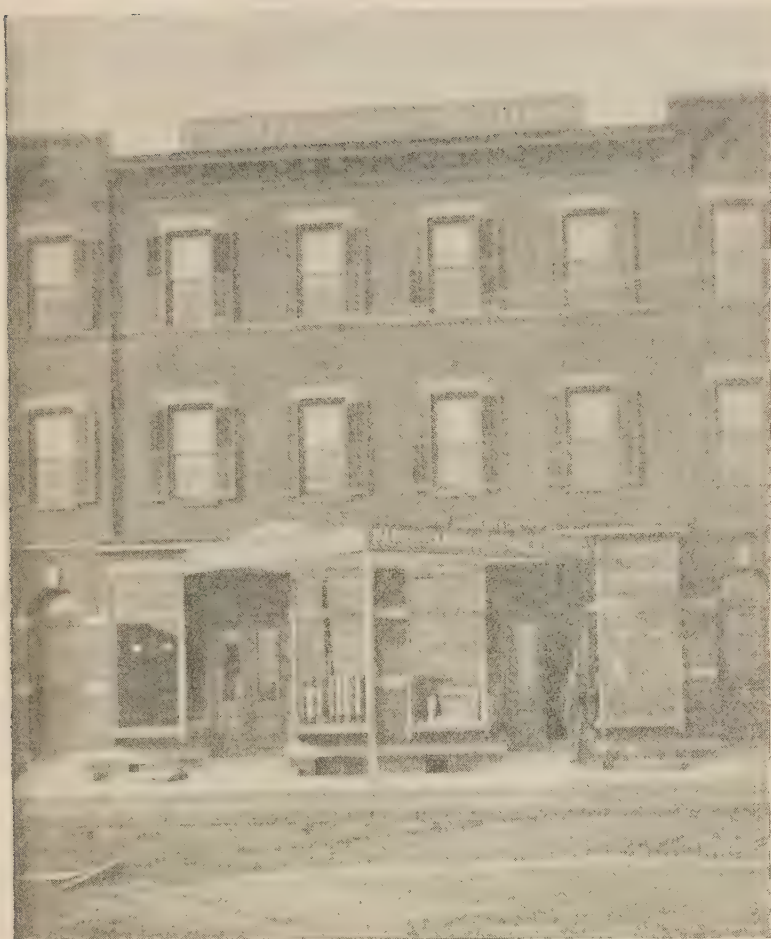
MRS. JOHN SCHAEFER, Groceries, No. 156 Canal Street, Stapleton, S. I.—The establishment carried on by Mrs. John Schaefer is one of those stores, which make no great pretensions, and yet could be much less easily spared than many a more imposing, and more extensive place of business. Mrs. Schaefer occupies a store 10x25 feet in dimensions, and carries a clean and desirable stock of staple and fancy groceries, flour and many other articles in active and constant demand. She is a native of Switzerland, and has become widely and favorably known in this vicinity, since founding her present business, ten years ago. The store is conveniently located at No. 156 Canal street, and is supplied with all necessary facilities to enable orders to be promptly filled. Employment is given to only experienced assistants. The popularity of this establishment is due to many causes, but to none more than the uniform reliability of the goods furnished. This lady always makes it a point to obtain her supplies from entirely reputable manufacturers and jobbers, and hence is in a position to guarantee that her goods will prove just as represented, while the prices are as low as can be named for the quality of the goods handled.

MISS ELISA MORLATH, Dry and Fancy Goods, and Butterick's Patterns. 65 Canal Street, Stapleton, S. I.—The enterprise carried on by Miss Elisa Morlath, was started by her fifteen years ago, and has since been conducted under her able management. The premises occupied and located at No. 65 Canal street, comprises one floor 25x50 feet in size, there being a most carefully chosen stock carried, comprising dry and fancy goods, notions and small wares, etc. Miss Morlath is also agent for the sale of Butterick's Patterns she has built up a steadily increasing trade, retail in character, for discriminating purchasers, and quick to recognize genuine inducements, and it is very generally understood in this community, that she offers advantages at least as great as any to be had elsewhere in this section. All goods are fully guaranteed to prove as represented, the stock always contains the latest fashionable novelties, and as efficient assistants are only employed, callers may depend upon receiving immediate and polite attention. Miss Morlath is a native of Germany, she is well known throughout this village and vicinity, for she is a careful buyer, and quotes the lowest market rates in every department of her store, while she spares no pains to please and satisfy her customers.

M. FELDHOUSEN, Grocer, Fine Butter, Teas, Coffees, Sugars, Spices, etc., Fruit and Vegetables in Season, No. 207 Bay Street, Stapleton, S. I.—The advantages of dealing with a house that carries a varied stock, guarantees the quality of its goods, gives prompt and polite attention to customers, and sells at the lowest market rates, are too evident to require explanation and when we say that the enterprise carried on by Mr. M. Feldhusen, at 207 Bay street, is so managed as to combine all these good points, we need not persuade our Stapleton readers to give it their patronage, for their own self interest will dictate that they do so. Mr. M. Feldhusen started his present enterprise in 1886, and for reasons given above, has built up a large and growing business. He is thoroughly well acquainted with the line of business he has chosen, and gives close personal attention to every detail of his establishment. Employment is afforded to thoroughly efficient, and courteous assistants, and although the extent of the trade carried on renders the serving of many customers necessary, still, every patron is assured prompt and polite attention. Choice groceries, of all kinds, are extensively handled, as well as fine butter, teas, coffees, sugars, spices, etc., also fruits and vegetables in their seasons, and the prices quoted on these goods are such as will bear the severest examination. This gentleman also carries on an Express business in Staten Island. Orders receive prompt attention.

MICHAEL OATES & SON, Funeral Directors and Embalmers, 273 Bay Street, P. O. Box 266, Stapleton, S. I.—The enterprise conducted by Messrs. Michael Oates & Son, at No. 273 Bay street, is most certainly deserving of prominent and favorable mention among the leading and typical undertakings of this section, for it was inaugurated some thirty-three years ago, and for many years has held its present leading position. Operations were begun by the senior member in 1862, and so conducted until the present year, when he took his son John T. Oates into partnership. Both are natives of this village, and well and favorably known in this locality. The premises occupied, comprise one building 80x100 feet in dimensions, all the newest and best improved methods have been added to the equipment of the establishment, and the finest undertaking work is executed. Messrs. M. Oates and Son, are Funeral Directors and Embalmers, and are located at No. 273 Bay street, and as their residences are near the same, orders may be left at all hours, with the certainty of their receiving immediate and careful attention. Employment is given to three competent assistants, and as for the facilities at hand, it is only necessary to say, that they are amply sufficient to fully maintain the old established reputation of this concern for promptness and thoroughness. The stock comprises coffins, caskets, robes and funeral goods of every description, which are furnished at the lowest market rates. The entire charge of funerals will be assumed when desired, giving satisfactory service.

H. HASSEL, Cabinet-maker, Varnisher and Polisher, Antique Furniture Varnished, Polished and Repaired Equal to New, 25 Water Street, Stapleton, Staten Island.—Mr. H. Hassel is well known among manufacturers as being one of the most accurate and successful cabinet makers in this section, and we wish to call the special attention of our readers to his facilities for such work, also for repairing, equal to new, furniture of every description. The shop, which is located at 25 Water Street, is 20 x 75 feet in dimensions and equipped with improved appliances, enabling orders to be filled at short notice and at the lowest rates. Everything is done in a thoroughly workman-like manner and satisfaction is guaranteed. Mr. Hassel is a cabinet maker, varnisher and polisher, and is prepared to varnish and polish up antique furniture equal to new, and those who wish furniture made to order and prefer something besides the stereotyped styles with which the market is flooded, or who want furniture that shall be strong and durable as well as ornamental, would do well to communicate with him. Repairing will be done in the most finished and lasting manner, no pains being spared to fully satisfy even the most critical. Mr. Hassel is a native of Germany and established his present business in 1864, while his many patrons are evidence of his success. Three competent assistants are kept busy all the time.



MEURER & CO., STAPLETON.

MEURER & CO., Artistic Paper Hangers and Upholsterers, No. 164 and 166 Bay St., Stapleton, Staten Island, P. O. Box 248, Wall Paper, Window Shades, Carpets, Linoleum, Oilcloth and Matting, Upholstering in all its branches. Agents for the American Linoleum Company. — In the olden times all decorative and beautiful artistic work was confined to the religious and public buildings and the palaces of the favored rich. Now through the advancing influences of civilization, the achievements and effects of artistic coloring are brought within the reach of almost every one who can appreciate their value, and the higher tone and happiness which have thus been brought into our life, is of the greatest influence and value. The refined taste exhibited everywhere in this branch of business causes one to stop and wonder if this industry, has not reached the height of perfection. Among those doing business in Stapleton, S. I., are Meurer & Co. As Paper Hangers and Upholsterers, they have no superior in this village. The present firm which is composed of W. M. Meurer, a native of Germany, and W. Ed. C. Meurer, a native of this village, established this business twenty-eight years ago, which has steadily increased, being favored by the finest class of custom in the village and vicinity, as they do very fine artistic work in paper hanging and upholstering in all their branches, while they deal in Wall Paper, Window Shades, Carpets, Linoleum, Oilcloth and Matting of all kinds. Four experienced assistants are employed, and the firm is ready at short notice to execute any order which may be entrusted to them. The premises occupied are located at Nos. 164 and 166 Bay street. This firm also makes a specialty of fine frescoing and color work — estimates furnished cheerfully on request.

JOSEPH NICKEL, Florist, also Dealer in Plants and Cut Flowers, 6 Beach Street, Next door to John Barden's Meat Market, Stapleton, Staten Island. P. O. Box 15. Funeral Work a Specialty. — We Americans are commonly regarded as an eminently practical people, placing business before sentiment and caring more for heaping up the dollars than for cultivating our finer tastes, but this is in many respects a merely superficial and consequently an erroneous judgment, and one indication of its falsity is to be found in the immense and growing fondness for flowers in this country. Within comparatively few years the demand for cut flowers has doubled and the florist's business has reached very large proportions, while improvements in flower culture have succeeded one another until now results are attained which although brought about by purely natural processes, are none the less wonderful and in some respects almost phenomenal. An excellent idea of the plant now required by the successful florist may be obtained by examining that utilized by Mr. Joseph Nickel, for though his business here only began in the early part of the current year, it has already reached large proportions. He is a native of this village and his premises are located at 6 Beach Street, where he deals in plants and cut flowers, making a specialty of funeral designs, which can be furnished at very short notice.

MRS. M. SEIDEL, One Price Store, Dry and Fancy Goods, Millinery, Hosiery, Corsets, Kid Gloves and Notions, Ladies' and Gents' Underwear. A Full Line of German Knitting Yarns. 112 Broad Street, Stapleton, S. I. — One of the best known stores in Stapleton, is that conducted by Mrs. M. Seidel, and the exceptionally high reputation it enjoys is the best proof that could be given that its management is, and has been all that could be desired. Mrs. Seidel is a native of New York City, and has been identified with the "One price store," the establishment in question, for the past nine years. The premises occupied, and which are located at No. 112 Broad street, comprise one floor 10x30 feet in dimensions and a very extensive stock is carried, made up of dry and fancy goods, millinery, hosiery, corsets, kid gloves and notions, ladies' and gents' underwear, besides a full line of German knitting yarns. One competent assistant is employed, and an extensive retail business is done. The high esteem in which Mrs. Seidel's store is held is easily explained, for the policy pursued by her, is as simple as it is satisfactory, consisting merely of giving every customer full value for money received, and offering such a variety of desirable goods, that all tastes can be suited. Mrs. Seidel gives her close personal attention to the business, and keeps the service at the very highest standard of efficiency.

MRS. J. L. DERY, Dealer in Dry and Fancy Goods, Millinery and Gents' Furnishing Goods, No. 51 Canal Street, Stapleton, S. I. Agency for the Universal Patterns.—One of the chief aims of this book is to furnish strangers in this village and vicinity, with authentic information in regard to the reliability and standing of our numerous business houses, as they often make inquiries before patronizing establishments which are strange to them. If anything in the line of dry goods be wanted, we can offer no better advice than to visit the store of Mrs. J. L. Dery, located at No. 51 Canal street, Stapleton. Here will be found a large and fine assortment of dry and fancy goods, millinery and gents' furnishings goods. This enterprise was started six years ago by the present proprietress, she is a native of this village, and is well and favorably known in this neighborhood. The store is 25x35 feet in dimensions, and employment is given to two competent assistants, customers are treated with the greatest courtesy, and all goods are shown with promptness, while careful attention is given to orders. Visitors are invited to call and examine the great variety which is offered for inspection, and which is constantly changing with the seasons and fashions of the day. These goods are noted for their general excellence and durability. Mrs. Dery is the agent for the sale of "The Universal Patterns," they being sent to any address, post paid, on receipt of the price.

JOHN BARDES,

—DEALER IN—

PROVISIONS, MEATS, POULTRY, GAME, ETC.

4 BEACH ST., STAPLETON, S. I.

The Market conducted by Mr. Bardes is a market where cleanliness and order are strictly maintained; it is a market for the sale of meats and provisions of all kinds and all kinds of fish in their season. Instead of being devoted to supplying any one class of trade, as is the case with the majority of so-called markets, Mr. Bardes caters to all purchasers who appreciate goods at honest prices, and does it so successfully that he has built up a business requiring the employment of several assistants. The stock includes meats of all kinds and poultry and game in their season. The choicest cuts of meat may be obtained here at the lowest market rates. The facilities are so extensive that orders are assured much more prompt and careful attention than at many a store which is much less largely patronized.

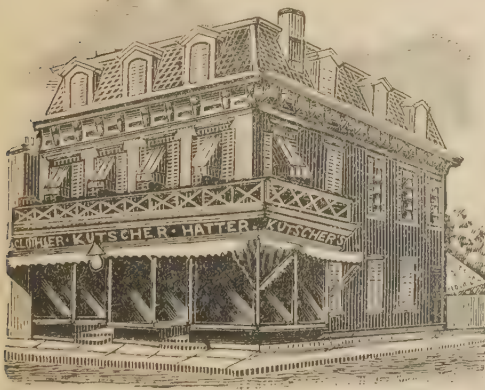
E. SCHMIDT,

—DEALER IN—

CROCKERY, GLASSWARE, LAMPS, Etc., Etc.,

BAY ST., STAPLETON, S. I.

This enterprise is rapidly becoming known throughout this section as the headquarters for crockery, glassware and lamps are also sold here. So pronounced a success is not to be gained without hard and intelligent work, and Mr. Schmidt has the satisfaction of knowing that his efforts are appreciated by the general public, and is therefore encouraged to continue his efforts with renewed vigor. The stock which is extensive and varied, consists of glassware, crockery, etc., including the latest novelties as well as a full line of those staple goods that are always in demand. A large stock is always to be found here, while courteous attention is given to all customers.



I. KUTSCHER, Clothier, Hatter, Ladies' and Gents' Furnisher, 100 Broad Street, Stapleton, S. I., P. O. Box 573.—In every community, whether it be large or small, there are certain houses which are recognized as the leaders in their particular line, and there is no branch of business but what this rule applies to, for as sure as a particular industry or branch of trade is represented at all, just so sure must some one concern lead, other houses following more or less successfully as the case may be. Of course in so important a trade centre as Stapleton, is, there are numerous examples of this truth, and one of the most striking of these, is that afforded by the position held by Mr. I. Kutscher, whose store is located at No. 100 Broad street. Business was begun by him in 1879, since when he has attained a good position as a leader in Clothing and Hats, Ladies' and Gents' Furnisher, etc. The premises occupied will measure 32 x 100 feet, and a heavy stock of imported and domestic goods is carried, which always includes the very latest novelties, and is complete in every department. Employment is given to three assistants who are competent to give courteous and prompt attention to

every caller, while the prices will be found reasonable for the fine quality of goods exhibited. Mr. Kutscher is a native of Germany and well known in this community. This gentleman is agent for Anchor Brand Shirts, Collars and Cuffs, Sweet Orr & Co.'s Clothing, Stacy, Adams & Co.'s Celebrated Shoes, also agent for P. D., C. B., Z. Z., Dr. Warner's, R. & G., P. W., Thompson's Glove Fitting and all best makes of Corsets.



ST. MARY'S AVENUE.

HISTORICAL SKETCH OF CLIFTON.

CLIFTON is beautifully located on the east shore of Staten Island, on the borders of the Narrows, and commands a magnificent view not only of the waters of that famous channel, but also of the lower Bay of New York's grand harbor, to the South, and of the broad Upper Bay, stretching to the northward until the vista is closed by the spires and lofty buildings of the Metropolis of the New World. In fact its surroundings on both land and water render it a most delightful and attractive spot. The village was founded in 1835, having been laid out in that year by Thomas Scott the immediate progenitor of the family of that name who are to day numbered among the most substantial citizens of Clifton. Mr. Scott was an engineer and surveyor of marked ability, who emigrated to this country from England in 1835, one of the first performances in the line of his profession being the work of surveying for the laying out of the village which he subsequently made his home. How well his labors were performed is manifested in the broad, well-graded streets and avenues of Clifton. Until March 1866, the village was under the township government, having no separate corporate existence, being in this respect like many of the settlements on Staten Island. In 1866 when Edgewater was incorporated, Clifton, in connection with Stapleton and a portion of Tompkinsville, was included within the limits of that village and enjoys all of the advantages which the progressive and public-spirited officials of Edgewater have introduced during their trusteeship.

Clifton is eminently a residence place; its exceedingly wholesome location, its excellent sanitary condition, its salubrious climate, not to speak of its picturesque surroundings and nearness to New York, all contributing to make it a most desirable spot in which to make a suburban home. It is not alone in that respect it excels, however. Like the other portions of Edgewater, the progressive spirit of its citizens is shown in the many important business enterprises carried on within its borders. Here are found numerous stores capable of supplying every conceivable want of the community, and the evidence of their prosperity proves that the residents of Clifton believe fully in encouraging home industry. In the importance of its manufacturing establishments, Clifton takes high rank. One of the oldest and most prominent of these is the brewing of beer, and the product of her breweries justly holds a high and widely extended reputation for purity and excellence. The more important of these breweries, was established in 1851, and it owes no little of its prominence to the fact that it was founded by the exiled Italian patriot Garibaldi, who formed a partnership with his fellow countryman, Antonio Meucci. It has changed ownership several times since then and is now operated by a firm whose enterprise and ability are widely recognized and admired. Fire destroyed the brewery in 1881, but it was immediately rebuilt, on a larger scale, and more fully equipped with modern appliances. The establishment furnishes employment to a large force of men.

It is not alone for the excellence of the products of its breweries that Clifton holds its position as a manufacturing centre. A number of other enterprises give employment to many of her citizens and add to her importance in the eyes of the business community. A candle factory which was formerly devoted to other manufacturing purposes is to be classed among its important industries. There is also located here a factory for the manufacture of fireworks and another which makes a specialty of razors. The machine shops and repair docks of the Rapid Transit Company have

also been established in Clifton and furnish steady and remunerative employment to a large number of machinists, ship carpenters and others, who live in the village. Boat building was at one time an important industry here, but since native timber has become scarce it has languished and at the present time, about the only representatives of the business, are those who devote their attention exclusively to repairing, repainting and caulking. Some years ago a large dry-dock was built at Clifton and it is still used for the removal of defects and the repairing of damages in vessels just returned from a voyage, having sufficient capacity to accommodate even the largest sailing craft that come to this port. This dry-dock, has a certain place in the history of the country from the fact that it was here that the obelisk, which was presented by the Kedive of Egypt to the United States, was unloaded and prepared for its des-



NEW YORK AVENUE.

tinuation in Central Park, New York City. A number of new business enterprises are projected, among which may be mentioned a large cigar factory. In passing reference should be made to the fact that the building trade is well represented in Clifton, and that many of the fine residences and other buildings on Staten Island, have been erected by the builders of this place, whose energy, ability and progressive ideas, entitle them to the preference they have received over their competitors in adjacent cities. Imbued with local pride and desire to elevate their calling the builders and architects of this locality have been able to hold a foremost place in their craft, their fitness and responsibility being well understood and promptly recognized by the property owners on the Island.

Clifton and its immediate vicinity offers unusual attractions to the pleasure-seeker and those who are in quest of a day's relaxation from business cares. The country 'round about is hilly but the ascents are easy and gradual, and from many points commanding and beautiful views of the surrounding waters and picturesque land scenery are obtained. Fort Wadsworth a favorite stamping ground of sight-seers is within the svillage limits and attracts thousand of people every summer. Nearby is South Beach which within the past few years has become a formidable rival of Coney Island and Rockaway as a day sea-side resort. On bright Sundays during the summer months as many as fifty or sixty thousand people are to be found enjoying the salubrious sea air, and the various entertainments that are provided by the enterprising proprietors of hotels and other popular resorts on the beach. Another point of interest within the village limits is the Quarantine station. Much oppsition was at first raised against its location here, as it was feared that it would lead to the introduction of dangerous diseases, but experience has taught that it has been much more of an advantage than a detriment to the community, and no one can be found who will lift up his voice against it. A large force of people are constantly employed at the station, the majority of them being residents of Clifton, so that what was at first looked upon as a nuisance and a menace to public health has come to be considered in the light of a benefaction. It should be stated, however, that the feeling of satisfaction Clifton holds regarding the establishment of this most necessary and beneficent institution within her borders is as much the result of a knowledge and confidence in the protection it affords to New York City and the country at large as of the belief that it confers a direct advantage upon the village.

In the matter of water supply Clifton is well provided, not only in the abundant flow but in the superior purity of the water. It is obtained from the Crystal Water Company, which furnishes the supply of the whole village of Edgewater. The sewerage system is also as nearly perfect as modern engineering science can make it, and to this fact is due the freedom from epidemic and other diseases which has characterized Clifton for many years, and so greatly adds to its desirability as a place of residence. The water supply is entirely derived from driven wells and the utmost care is exercised to prevent continuation from surface streams. As an extra precaution it is frequently analysed by the village authorities, and thus perfect purity is absolutely guaranteed.

Clifton has the services of the excellent fire department of Edgewater, to which she contributes several efficient companies in the Clifton Engine Company No. 8 and Clifton Hose No. 6. The former was organized in June, 1863, and the latter in the following year. The services of the firemen are voluntarily rendered and no pay is expected. The various companies have attained to a high degree of proficiency, and in discipline and all else that goes to make a practical and efficient department are not surpassed by the fire-fighters of any other town. They have prevented the destruction of much valuable property and are at all time ready for the call of duty. Six years after the incorporation of the village of Edgewater, the Clifton companies in common with those of Stapleton and Tompkinsville were brought under the control of the Edgewater Fire Department of which it forms an integral part.

The orderly condition of the village at all times is as much due to the peace-loving character of its respectable citizens, as to the efficiency of the Richmond County Police Department, from which a force of men is detailed to patrol this section. Of the Staten Island police it may be said that they are a remarkable intelligent and fine body of men, a terror to evil doers, faithful to their duty, and always to be found when needed. To be sure their work in Clifton is not very onerous, but on the occasions when their services have been called into activity they have not been found wanting.

To the other recommendations enumerated Clifton owes much of its desirability as a residence place to its well graded and well paved streets. They are brilliantly lighted throughout with incandescent electric lamps, placed at short intervals, and no portion of the village is ever in darkness. We have before referred to the close proximity of Clifton to New York, in which city many of her prominent residents are engaged in business and in professional work. Some years ago the journey was apt to be tedious and depressing, especially during the inclement season of the year. All that however has changed, since rapid transit has been inaugurated. The trip over the Bay is made pleasant and comfortable by the substitution of commodious, swift and handsome boats for the craft that formerly did ferry duty, and a brief ride in bright and neat railroad cars, bring the passenger from New York to his destination inside of 30 minutes. It formerly took from 40 minutes to an hour to make the trip, not to speak of the discomforts connected with the old style of travel. The trains and boats now run at frequent intervals throughout the day and those whom business or pleasure detain in the city until a late hour, now find it possible to reach their homes in Clifton, without having to wait, as formerly, for the resumption of travel the next morning.

In Clifton there are but two churches, many of the residents attending places of worship in the neighboring villages of Stapleton and Tompkinsville. Those that are located here have large congregations and are among the wealthiest and oldest parishes in the county. St. John's Protestant Episcopal church was founded in May, 1843, as an off-shoot from St. Andrews parish in Richmond. Two months after the society was organized, the corner stone of the first church building was laid, and the modest frame structure was soon completed. Here the congregation, consisting of the wealthiest and most influential families of the vicinity, worshiped until 1869, when the present church was erected. It was built of rose colored granite, brought from Lyme, Conn., and ornamented with Belleville stone. It is a handsome structure in the Gothic style of architecture. Stained glass windows, two of which are memorials to beloved members of the parish, add much to the beauty and dignity of the building. A commodious rectory was built in 1862, and three years later, the Mercer Memorial chapel was erected on an adjoining plot of ground.

St. Mary's Parish was established in October, 1852, and the late Rev. John Lewis installed as pastor. This much beloved and mourned priest, was most devoted to the interests of the parish, and much of its temporal advancement is directly traceable to his tireless energy and self-sacrificing labor. Immediately upon the founding of St. Mary's he set about providing a temporary chapel and school, and then began the work of raising the necessary funds for the erection of a permanent church house for his flock. This was accomplished within five years, and, in 1857, Father Lewis had the satisfaction of seeing laid the corner stone of the fine structure, which is held to be one of the handsomest Catholic churches on Staten Island. After the church had been completed, a rectory was built on adjoining property, at a cost of \$10,000, the church itself having cost \$58,000. Not satisfied with having accomplished so much, Father Lewis set to work to build a school house, an asylum for the orphans of the parish, a home for the sisters of charity, and a residence for the teachers of the parish school. These were completed in 1864 and cost over \$35,000. In 1878 St. Mary's Hall was built and thoroughly equipped for dramatic performances, concerts and lectures. Four years later the Young Men's Catholic Literary Union Hall was erected.

There are several beneficial and social organizations in Clifton, including a lodge of Odd Fellows, another of the A. O. U. W. and the Catholic Benevolent Association.

The Clifton Boat Club, which was started in 1881 with a membership of only eight persons, is one of the most prosperous organizations of its character on the east shore of the island. It has a fine club house, whose broad piazzas overlook the narrows, and are a favorite resort, in summer time, of the social leaders of the village. The club now has a large membership and owns a number of handsome racing and pleasure boats.

Clifton is noted, outside of the narrow limits of Staten Island, as being the site of two of the most worthy and indispensable charitable institutions in this section of the country. One is under Government supervision at present, though originally started as a private institution. We refer to the Marine Hospital and Seamen's Retreat which is housed in a large brick building, in the construction of which comfort and convenience, rather than display, was sought after. It stands on the summit of a low hill over-looking the waters of the Narrows and Bay. Ample accommodations are furnished for the care of sick and disabled seamen, and any American sailor, who has seen actual service, within a reasonable time prior to making application, will receive medical attention and the care of skillful nurses free of all cost. Seamen of other nationalities are also admitted, but they are charged the nominal fee of one dollar a week for board and treatment.

The other institution referred to is the Mariners' Family Asylum, for the aged wives, sisters and daughters of seamen. It was founded in 1843 by the managers of the Female Bethel Society of New York, the object being to provide work and a home for the female members of seamen's families. From the Government, a contract was obtained for making a portion of the clothing annually required in the Navy, and similar contracts were made with the managers of Sailor's Snug Harbor, and the Seaman's Retreat. This gave ample employment to the inmates of the Asylum, at a fair remuneration for their labor. In 1851 the State Government appropriated \$16,000 for the erection of a building for the use of this charity, and set aside ten per cent. of the seamen's tax, collected each month from masters, mates and sailors, for the maintainance of the Asylum. This Government assistance was withdrawn after a few years, owing to the opposition of other institutions that derive support from the Sailor's Tax Fund. However, the building was erected at the Government expense, on ground in Clifton, lying to the south of the Marine Hospital. The Asylum was opened in April, 1856, and formally dedicated on the 9th of June, following. It is a large, square, brick structure, in the building of which, architectural style has been sacrificed to comfort and the economizing of space. There are five stories, containing, beside thirty-two sleeping apartments, parlor and reception room, dining hall, kitchen, laundry, etc. It is heated throughout by the hot water system, the apparatus having been donated by Mr. James W. Elwood. The asylum is governed by a board of lady managers, appointed by the officers of the institution. Since the withdrawal of Government support the asylum has been maintained by private charity, and the contributions have always been so prompt and liberal that the managers are never pinched for funds.

Clifton is the seat of town government, all the business of the township of Southfield being conducted here

REPRESENTATIVE BUSINESS MEN OF CLIFTON.



A. MORD, Wholesale and Retail dealer in Dry and Fancy Goods, Men's, Youths' and Boys' Clothing and Furnishing Goods, Hats, Caps, Boots and Shoes, No. 322 Bay St., Cor. Vanderbilt Ave., Clifton, Staten Island. Stapleton P. O. Box, No. 555.—The establishment carried on by Mr. A. Mord, at No. 322 Bay St., corner of Vanderbilt Ave., is equally popular among ladies and gentlemen; among young and old; among rich and poor, for here may be found not only the latest novelties in dry and fancy goods, and ladies' furnishing goods, and in hats, caps, boots and shoes. All standard qualities of goods are carried in stock, so that all tastes and purses can be suited, especially as Mr. Mord is a firm believer in "quick sales and small profits," so that his prices are invariably as low as the lowest. All the goods he carries are purchased direct from the manufacturers, which enables him to sell at a lower price than other retailers. His wagons are sent all over the Island, both with a large assortment of goods, and to deliver orders. All

goods purchased will be delivered to any part of the Island free of charge. The establishment is 50 x 115 feet in dimensions, and is so arranged and equipped as to make it very convenient for customers, especially for such as wish to examine articles before buying, and who appreciate the advantages of choosing from a large and complete stock. Every article is guaranteed to prove as represented, and even the most inexperienced buyer can depend upon getting excellent value for every cent expended at this deservedly popular store.

W. H. BARDES, Successor to F. B. Bardes, Beef, Veal, Lamb, Mutton, Poultry and Game in season, shipping supplies, New York Avenue, Cor. Pennsylvania Avenue, Clifton, S. I. Orders called for and goods delivered. —Notwithstanding the large number of Meat Markets to be found in Clifton, there are none too many of them where strictly dependable goods are sold at fair rates, for it is notorious that at some establishments of this kind it is practically impossible to obtain first-class meats at any price. There is an extensive and constantly increasing demand for the better grades of meats, and we can give no better advice to such of our readers as may want anything in this line than to call at the market conducted by Mr. W. H. Bardes, on New York Avenue, Clifton. This enterprise was founded in 1854, by Mr. F. B. Bardes, Sr., and so carried, until the current year, when he was succeeded by the present proprietor. He is a native of this town, and thoroughly acquainted with his business in every detail, and as he gives personal attention to the filling of orders he is in a position to guarantee prompt and careful service to his patrons. The stock on hand comprises choice Beef, Veal, Lamb and Mutton, also Poultry and Game in season, and whether you want a choice cut or a piece of soup stock, you can buy it here to the best advantage, for Mr. Bardes caters to all classes and quotes bottom prices, and orders are called for and goods delivered.

WM. H. LUDLOW, Dealer in Choice Groceries, Hay, Straw, Oats, Flour and Feed, New York Avenue, Near Fingerboard Road, Clifton, S. I.—Mr. William H. Ludlow has had sole control of the enterprise with which he is now identified for about ten years, and as it is one of the leading enterprises of the kind in this section of the State, it naturally follows that he is one of Clifton's best known business men, even without consideration of the self-evident fact that as postmaster of the town he must necessarily be known—by reputation at least—to every resident of it. He was born in Clifton, and the business carried on by him was founded by his father, in 1845, so that it is noteworthy on account of its age, as well as on account of its magnitude and importance. The premises made use of are located on New York Ave., near Fingerboard Road, and contain a heavy and exceptionally complete stock of staple and fancy groceries, hay, straw, oats, flour and feed; so that no matter how large your order is you may depend upon having it filled promptly and accurately, and what is more, you may depend upon being supplied with goods of standard quality at the lowest prevailing rates. An ample force of competent assistants is employed, and no trouble is spared to ensure entire satisfaction to every customer.

E. BURGUND & CO., Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Milk, Cream, Butter and Eggs. No brewer's grains or refuse fed to the cows from which our milk is produced, 165 New York Avenue, Clifton, S. I.—Chemists and physicians agree that pure milk is the only perfect food known, and the majority of them also claim that there would be far less sickness—especially among children—if more milk and less meat were used as food. But many people make the serious mistake of using the cheapest milk they can get, without taking any trouble to find out what its quality is, and this mistake is a serious one.—first, because so-called "cheap" milk is generally unhealthful, and, second, because its proportion of nutriment (or food power) is almost invariably so much less than it should be that actually such milk is more expensive as a food than standard milk sold at standard price. In this connection we wish to call special attention to the milk furnished by Messrs. E. Burgund & Co., wholesale and retail dealers in milk, cream, butter and eggs, for it is not only pure, but is literally "first-class in every respect," and it is worthy of note that the firm guarantees that no brewer's grains, or refuse, is fed to the cows from which the milk they sell is produced. They charge no fancy prices for any of the articles they handle, and they do a large and steadily increasing business, but ample and competent assistance is employed, the facilities are of the best, and the service is both prompt and accurate. The store is located at No. 165 New York Ave., is 25x50 feet in dimensions, and always contains as complete and attractive a stock of dairy goods and eggs as you can find in the State.

HENRY WACKER, Successor to C. M. Hage, Rosebank Market, Corner New York and Bay View Avenues, Clifton, Staten Island. Choice Beef, Mutton, Lamb, Veal, Pork, Hams, Bacon and Corned Beef, Poultry, Game and Vegetables in Season.—That popular establishment known as the Rosebank Market was founded twenty years ago by Mr. C. M. Hage, and those familiar with its reputation will cordially agree with us when we say that no higher praise can possibly be given its present proprietor than to state that its reputation is perfectly safe in his hands. Mr. Hage was succeeded in 1892, by Mr. Henry Wacker, who is a native of Germany, and is well known in Clifton in social as well as in trade circles. By giving close attention to the various departments of the business, and by employing three efficient assistants he maintains the service at a high standard, and render the present management the Rosebank Market is sure to continue popular as long as reliable goods, moderate prices, and prompt and accurate filling of orders and delivery of goods are appreciated. It is located at the corner of New York and Bay View Avenues; the premises having an area of 3 000 square feet and always containing a large and carefully selected stock of choice beef, mutton, lamb, veal, pork, hams, bacon, corned beef, poultry, game, and vegetables in their season. Orders are called for, and goods delivered free, and we need hardly add that all articles warranted to prove as represented.

ROSEBANK HOTEL, Near Rosebank Station on the S. I. R. T., New York Avenue, Clifton, Bet. Pennsylvania and Clifton Aves. Affording a Beautiful View of New York Bay, Rooms for Families with Board, at Moderate Prices. Bathing and fishing, Horse and Steam Cars to and from New York, every Twenty Minutes. Fare from New York to the Hotel, Ten Cents. Peter Murphy, Proprietor.—The Rosebank Hotel is just the kind of a hotel that many a man is looking for, and we take pleasure in recommending it to our readers, for we know it cannot fail to suit those who know how to appreciate combination of comfortable sleeping accommodations, excellent table board, a convenient and healthful location, and very reasonable charges. This hotel is near Rosebank Station on the S. I. R. T., it being on New York Ave., Clifton, between Pennsylvania and Clifton Aves. It commands a beautiful view of New York Bay, and the facilities for bathing and fishing are excellent, so it is not at all surprising that it is a very popular summer hotel. But it is popular during other seasons of the year also, it being supplied with all modern conveniences and thoroughly comfortable at all times, and its situation being very convenient and accessible; there being frequent horse and steam car service between here and New York, and the fare from New York to the hotel being but ten cents. The proprietor, Mr. Peter Murphy, spares no trouble to ensure the comfort of his guests, and as eight assistants are employed the service is prompt as well as otherwise satisfactory. The rates for transient boarders are but \$1.25 per day, so it is unnecessary to say that "fancy prices" are unknown at this establishment.

M. HUGHES, Undertaker and Embalmer. Rosewood, Mahogany, Lead and Metallic Coffins, Shrouds, Collars, Scarfs and Gloves. Terms Reasonable. No. 64 New York Avenue, Clifton, Staten Island. (Telephone Call 29 B, Tompkinsville.)—Their is such a great number of small but yet important details to be attended to in preparing for a funeral, that some of these are apt to be forgotten by one inexperienced in such matters, and the worry caused by thinking that something may have been neglected is of itself enough to warrant the employment of a competent funeral director, for when this is done all anxiety is at once at an end, as one may rest assured that an experienced man making a speciality of undertaking and funeral directing, will leave nothing undone that should have been attended to. Mr. M. Hughes exercises many important commissions of this kind, and it is natural that his services should be largely availed of, for he has served the public for years in this capacity and has won a high reputation for reliability and general efficiency. Mr. Hughes is a native of New York City, and became identified with his present business in 1886. He is Coroner of Richmond County, and well known in this locality. He occupies premises at No. 64 New York Avenue, and constantly carries in stock a full assortment of Coffins, Caskets and Funeral Goods, and is general Undertaker and Embalmer, while his terms are reasonable, and all orders promptly attended to.



NEW YORK AVENUE.

FRANZ JOSEPH GOLDSTEIN, Pharmacist, Deutsche Apotheke, Pharmacie Française, 111 New York Ave., Clifton, S. I.—By far the most important service rendered by a pharmacist is the compounding of physicians' prescriptions, and to do this as it should be done it is necessary not only to be reasonably familiar with the character, appearance and handling of drugs, chemicals and medicines, but to carry a large and carefully chosen stock of such goods, and to have the most improved and most accurate apparatus for weighing and measuring them. It may be truthfully said that the standing of the average pharmacy in New York State is sufficiently high to justly entitle it to confidence and patronage, but as there are exceptions to every rule it is well worth while to call special attention to a pharmacy that is so managed, equipped and stocked as to deserve a leading position in the front rank, and such a pharmacy is that carried on by Mr. Franz Joseph Goldstein, at No. 111 New York Ave. Mr. Goldstein is a native of Germany and opened his present establishment in 1891. This is a "Deutsche Apotheke" and a "Pharmacie Française," as well as what may be called an "American Drug Store," so it would be impossible to point out one better qualified to serve the public as a whole. Moderate charges are made, and the employment of two assistants ensure prompt attention to every caller.

MRS. M. L. CONKLING, Dealer in Fine Groceries, Wooden-ware, Tin-ware, Notions, &c., Cor. Clifton and New York Avenues, Clifton, S. I.—When Daniel Webster was asked, if there was any opening for a young man in the legal profession, he replied, "There is always room at the top," and this principle holds good in trade as well as in the professions. There are many grocery stores in Clifton, but there are also a good many people, and as there is a constant demand for dependable groceries, prompt service and generally fair dealing, we feel confident of the permanent success of the enterprise of which Mrs. M. L. Conkling is the proprietress, and which she established fifteen years ago, for she deals in fine Groceries, Wood-ware, Tin-ware and Notions, etc., and spares no pains to satisfy every customer. Her progressive and reliable methods have already built up quite an extensive business, and at its present rate of increase it will soon double in magnitude, for new customers are constantly being gained, and those who place a trial order with this lady, find it for their interest to call again when anything further in the grocery line is wanted. Mrs. Conkling's store is located on Clifton and New York Avenues, and measures 25 x 50 feet in size. "Full value for money received," is the motto of this establishment, an examination of the goods and prices will show it is carried out.

THE ESTATE OF REUBEN LORD, Dealer in Anthracite and Bituminous Coal and Fire Wood, Clifton, Staten Island. Office at Vanderbilt Landing. Pilot Boats Supplied at Short Notice.—There is no question whatever as to the right of the enterprise carried on under the name of The Estate of Reuben Lord to be given the most prominent position in a review of Clifton's mercantile undertakings, for this business was founded more than a third of a century ago, has been most ably and honorably managed from the start, and has been very popular among both large and small buyers of fuel for many years. The late Reuben Lord was one of the most progressive and best known business men in this section of the State, and the value of the service he rendered to this community directly and indirectly can hardly be overestimated. No higher praise can possibly be given the present management of the enterprise under consideration than to say that it is a worthy successor to that which preceded it, and that is equivalent to saying that all who place orders with this establishment are assured prompt and accurate service, satisfactory fuel, and bottom prices. Both a wholesale and retail business is done in anthracite and bituminous coal and fire wood; the office being at Corner of Bay Street and Vanderbilt Ave., and a speciality being made of the supplying of pilot boats at short notice. The facilities for the prompt delivering of goods are ample and efficient.

G. KRESS, dealer in Millinery, Dry Goods, Hosiery and Fancy Notions, Ladies' and Children's Fine Shoes, No. 220 New York Avenue. Agent for the Domestic Sewing Machines.—Taking everything into consideration it may truthfully be said that there is not a dealer in the dry goods, etc., located in this section of the town who is in a position to offer more genuine advantages to his customers than Mrs. G. Kress, and indeed we might go farther and say with equal truth, it would be difficult to find one prepared to equal the services offered by the lady in question. Mrs. Kress began operations here nine years ago, since which time the business has developed wonderfully. She is a native of Clifton, Staten Island, and has a large circle of friends hereabouts. Her store is located at No. 220 New York Avenue, and covers an area of 25 x 50 feet in size, and contains a large stock of Millinery, Dry Goods, Hosiery and Fancy Notions, Ladies' and Children's Fine Shoes, etc. etc. Mrs. Kress is also the agent for the Domestic Sewing Machines, and also carries on an Intelligence Office at the same address, for the supplying of all kinds of help. There are eight efficient assistants employed by Mrs. Kress, so that orders can be filled very promptly notwithstanding the large retail business that is done. The various goods comprising the stock are all carefully selected from the most reputable sources; while the price are put away down.

MICHAEL MULLICK, Fine Havana Cigars, 350 Bay Street, Clifton, Staten Island.—There are a few persons who are not in the cigar business that have any idea of the immense number that are consumed in the United States every year, and not the least remarkable thing about the demand for cigars, is, its rapid and steady increase. In spite of all that is urged against smoking, the habit has become so general that the man who does not smoke is a rare exception, for the sensible man can see that it is the abuse of tobacco which is hurtful, and the enjoyment derived from its proper or moderate use, can be obtained in no other way. The finer grades of tobacco are especially harmless, and therefore it is gratifying to know that Mr. Michael Mullick, who makes a specialty of dealing in fine Havana Cigars and Tobacco, is meeting with great success in his efforts to introduce a superior article. He is a native of Germany, and began operations here ten years ago. Premises located at No. 350 Bay Street, are utilized covering an area of 25 x 50 feet in dimensions. Mr. Mullick carries on both a wholesale and retail trade, giving employment to eight competent assistants, so that all orders are promptly and carefully attended to, while the lowest prices rule.

WILLIAM A. QUIRK, Harness Maker, a full assortment of harness and stable requisites always on hand, also trunk repairing in all its branches. Scott's Building, Clifton, S. I.—It is very difficult to accurately judge the value of a harness from examination alone, for even the poorest stock can be so finished as to look all right before it is put to practical use, and so the only sure way to get full value for every dollar you pay for a harness is to buy from a reputable dealer, who is satisfied with reasonable profits and who knows that the best way to get and keep your trade and that of your friends is to treat you squarely and liberally. Such a dealer is Mr. William A. Quirk, Harness Manufacturer, who carries a full assortment of harness and stable requisites in stock, and can supply you with what you want at the lowest market rates, quality considered. Mr. Quirk is well known in Clifton, for he is a native of this place, and has been identified with his present enterprise about 4 years. His store and shop are located in Scott's Building, and callers are assured prompt and courteous attention; order work, including harness making and repairing, and trunk repairing in all its branches, being done skillfully, thoroughly, at short notice and at moderate rates, and no pains being spared to deliver all work promptly at the time promised.

PETER J. KIERNAN, Dry and Fancy Goods, 200 New York Avenue, Rosebank, S. I.—The popularity of the establishment conducted by Mr. Peter J. Kiernan, is by no means the result of luck, but on the contrary has been brought about by hard, intelligent and faithful work continued from its inception. The proprietor is a native of Ireland and became identified with the enterprise three years ago. He deals in Dry and Fancy Goods, etc., and is the agent for "The Old Staten Island Dyeing Establishment." The premises utilized and located at No 200 New York Avenue, Rosebank, cover an area of 25 x 35 feet, and afford space for the accommodation of quite an extensive stock, and on the score of magnitude alone Mr. Kiernan's assortment is paralleled by few in any similar stocks in this section, but its quality is even more remarkable than its quantity, and the very latest fashionable novelties are always well represented. All classes of trade are catered to, and the closest buyers agree that at no store in this section is more genuine value given for money received. Callers are assured prompt and polite attention, goods being cheerfully shown and every opportunity given to make a deliberate and satisfactory selection. Mr. Kiernan, who held the position of Postmaster, is very well known, and supervises all details of his business personally.

GEO. T. COYNE, Coal and Wood, Simonson Avenue, Clifton, S. I.—There are few households in which the question of fuel is not an important one. To purchase this necessity to the best advantage, it is first of all necessary to find a house in which confidence can be placed. It is extravagance instead of economy to deal at a so-called cheap house, for the goods there sold are bound to be inferior. There is of course in a place of the size of Clifton, more than one reliable coal merchant, but we feel entitled to say that those parties who place their confidence and their orders with Mr. Geo. T. Coyne, will not have cause to regret the step. The enterprise conducted by him was established here in 1890. He is a native of Stapleton, Staten Island, and well known in business circles throughout this vicinity. Mr. Coyne is a retail Coal and Wood Merchant, his office and yard being located on Simonson Avenue, which measures 250 x 150 feet in size. This is stocked with the best grades of Coal and Wood, which he is prepared to furnish at the lowest market prices. Orders, whether sent by mail or messenger, are promptly and carefully filled, the same as if customers called.

GOTTFRIED HOPFE, Florist, 206-212 New York Avenue, Clifton, S. I.—The increasing use that is being made of flowers in society is one of the most pronounced movements of the day, and it is evident that the public have discovered that many sentiments can be expressed by the judicious use of flowers, that would otherwise have to find imperfect utterance, or else be left entirely unsaid. A gift of flowers is always in good taste, and when any hesitation is felt as to whether a present would be appropriate or not flowers may be given with the assurance that no offence can possibly be taken. It is necessary of course to have such gifts selected and arranged in harmony with the spirit that prompts their sending, and in order to secure this result it is well to patronize a florist who from his experience and taste, is well qualified to be considered an authority on such matters. Such may truthfully be said of

Mr. Gottfried Hopfe, whose greenhouses are located at Nos. 206 to 212 New York Ave., and are not only spacious and well arranged but thoroughly well equipped in every respect. Mr. Hopfe is a native of Germany and has carried on his present establishment about five years. He is prepared to make floral emblems of any kind to order at a few hours notice, and whether the occasion be one of joy or of sorrow he can furnish an appropriate design, as elaborate as may be desired, and as low in price as circumstances will permit. Competent assistance is employed and every caller may safely depend upon receiving prompt and courteous attention.

CHARLES SCHULTZ, Dealer in all kinds of Boots and Shoes, special attention given to Custom Work and Repairing. Rosebank P. O., Box 87, Clifton, S. I.—Those who have long experience in the shoe business say that no two persons wear their shoes out exactly alike, as each individual has his distinctive style of walk, as he has of speech, of penmanship or of general manner. Now granting this to be true, it is not surprising that a dealer finds it necessary to carry a large and varied stock, in order to satisfy all his patrons, for as each has his own style of walk, so each would naturally have peculiar ideas as to the qualities he wants combined in a shoe. It is by no means every dealer who appreciates this fact, but evidently Mr. Charles Schultz is one of them, for his assortment of footwear is so extensive and so skillfully chosen that all tastes and all purses can be suited from it. This enterprise was founded twenty years ago by the present proprietor, who is a native of Germany. The premises occupied and located in this town, cover an area of 25 x 35 feet in size, affording ample room for the carrying of a large stock of ladies' and gentlemen's Boots and Shoes. Special attention being given to custom work and repairing, while Mr. Schultz's prices are as low as is consistent with good material and honest workmanship.

DESCRIPTIVE SKETCH OF TOMPKINSVILLE.



DURING the progress of the war with Great Britain in 1812-14, Hon. Daniel D. Tompkins, one of the foremost men of the time, and who was Governor of the State of New York for several successive terms, had frequent occasion to inspect the fortifications about the Harbor of New York, and while making his numerous visits to the forts and encampments of Staten Island, he was struck with the great beauty of that portion of it which lies at the Northeastern point, where the waters of the Narrows and Upper Bay unite. The magnificent scenery presented by the bold hills, at that time heavily wooded to their summits with oak and chestnut, as well as the commanding views presented on all sides, appealed forcibly to the love of nature inherent in all great minds, and when, the pressure of public duties having been removed he had leisure

to enjoy the fruits of his labors, and settle down to the calm life of a country gentleman, he chose this spot as the site of his future home. By successive purchases he acquired a tract of seven hundred acres, part of which occupied the land upon which the village of Tompkinsville now stands. In 1814 and 1815 he laid out the village, and in the following year, he opened at his own expense, a broad public road, eight miles long, and terminating at the famous Blazing Star Tavern, in what is now Linoleumville. This road, Richmond Turnpike, was for many years the principal route of travel between New York and Philadelphia, a stage line, established through the efforts of Gov. Tompkins, being run over it in connection with the steam boat Nantilus, which vessel was owned by him. The little hamlet, thus founded by this great man, and whose memory will always be intimately identified with it, grew in population and prosperity until it became one of the largest and most important settlements on the island. Traveler's enroute to Philadelphia or intermediate towns, were attracted by the loveliness of the surroundings of Tompkinsville, were induced ultimately to settle there, and many wealthy families of New York erected their summer residences in the village and on the surrounding heights.

Such briefly is the early history of Tompkinsville. The village of to-day bears little resemblance to the quiet hamlet in which it's illustrious founder closed his eyes in final sleep in June, 1825, after a half century of usefulness and patriotic devotion to his country's advancement. In the name of the village and those of some of its principal streets his memory and that of his noble children is perpetuated, and will endure through all time. Were he to return to the scene of the closing years of his life, Gov. Tompkins would be astonished and gratified at the immense progress made by the village since 1825. Tompkinsville is now a thriving town, whose citizens are justly proud of the evidences of prosperity that everywhere abound. It is pre-eminently a residence place, though not without importance as a business centre on Staten Island. It's location, naturally healthful, is enhanced by the fine views presented on every side. The ground rising gently from the water's edge, at first, ascends rapidly to the summit of Grymes Hill or Castleton Heights, on whose crest and slopes stand many elegant villas, the homes of cultured and wealthy people, the outward evidence of whose refinement is displayed in the architectural beauty of the houses, and the well kept and handsome grounds surrounding them. In the village proper, or rather we should say, in it's more thickly settled portion, are the homes of those of more modest means, but even here, the appearance of prosperity and the love of

beautiful surroundings, testify to the high character of the people. The principal streets of the village, a number of which bear the names of the children of Governor Tompkins, are devoted to business interests, and here are found many fine stores, the character and variety of whose stock attract to them continuous and profitable patronage, not only of the people of Tompkinsville, but from the surrounding villages and even remote hamlets. Their proprietors are keen and alert men of business, to whose energy and ability the town owes much of its progress and solidity.

When the village of Edgewater was incorporated in 1886, that portion of Tompkinsville lying East of Arietta Street was included within the corporate limits, and is subject to the government of that village. All the excellent sanitary arrangements made by the public spirited and energetic officials of Edgewater are shared by Tompkinsville,



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and all other advantages enjoyed by the village as a whole, have been extended to it. The fine water supply which is not surpassed for purity or abundance is furnished to all the Edgewater side of Tompkinsville, and the admirable sewerage system also insures freedom from the dangers from diseases usually prevailing in connection with imperfect drainage. The efficient and well equipped fire department of Edgewater, which was organized in 1871, by the consolidation of the thirteen or fourteen companies of Stapleton, Clifton and Tompkinsville, affords security against extended conflagrations, and has been the means of preventing the loss of much valuable property, as proved on several memorable occasions. The Tompkinsville Fire Police Company, organized in 1859, has rendered most efficient aid during the progress of fires in the village. Its members tender their services gratuitously and are under the direction of the head of the fire department, of which the company is a part.

The western section of Tompkinsville, in which are located most of the more pretentious residences, lies in the village of New Brighton, and enjoys all of the advantages accruing to the citizens of that place, through the excellent methods employed by the officials of the village to insure the welfare of the people. The water service is equal to that furnished the citizens residing east of Arietta Street, and the section is also effectively provided with sewers. The New Brighton Fire Department, a counterpart of the Edgewater force in equipment and general efficiency, has several companies located in Tompkinsville, and as the most cordial relations exist between the two departments, it will be seen that the village is unusually well protected against fire.

The streets and avenues of Tompkinsville are notable for their well kept condition, their breadth and regularity, recommendations not always to be found in suburban thoroughfares. The pavement consists for the most part of broad flags, which are kept in excellent repair. Leading off in all directions are fine roads of hard macadam, which in the summer time afford most attractive drives, as from many points are presented the most beautiful views of the surrounding country and the waters of the harbor. The streets are lighted throughout their length with incandescent electric lamps of twenty-five candle-power, placed at intervals of two hundred feet.

While there are no manufacturing industries of any consequence in Tompkinsville, its retail business is of extensive proportions, and the aggregate of capital employed is large. The fine water front presented by

the stretch of shore between the point at St. George and the small bay which cuts the line of the beach at Stapleton, attracted the attention of capitalists who were seeking a location for storage warehouse, convenient to New York. A large tract of land front on the water and immediately adjoining the property of the United States Light House Board. Extensive warehouses were at once erected, iron and brick being chiefly employed in their construction, but in spite of the fact that they had the appearance of being impervious to attacks of the devouring element, a number of these costly buildings were destroyed in January, 1886, in one of the fiercest and greatest conflagrations that ever was known on the island. The resources of the Staten Island fire department were taxed to the utmost to subdue the fire, they proved adequate to the occasion. It is admitted by all fire fighters, that flames feeding upon raw cotton are more dif-



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ficult to control than fire in any other form, and that the firemen of Edgewater and the North Shore were able to save this great property from total destruction, speaks volumes for their efficiency, zeal and energy. Since that time the burned buildings have been replaced by other and more substantial structures and other buildings have been erected to provide for the increasing demands of the business. In neighboring villages there are a number of manufacturing establishments, which give employment to young men and young women who have their homes in Tompkinsville, but far the larger number of the male population is engaged in business or in professional work in New York, to which city they have easy access, through the excellent rapid transit facilities that were introduced in 1886. There are numerous trains between Tompkinsville and St. George, which is only a few minutes ride from the station in the first named place. At St. George, handsome swift and commodious boats carry the traveler to New York, the whole trip occupying scarcely half an hour.

In the matter of educational facilities the village has unusual advantages, for which praise is due to Governor Tompkins, who took a deep interest in the question of popular education and the propagation of religion. During his first gubernatorial term he repeatedly called the attention of the State Legislature to the necessity of devising a system of carrying out the purposes of the Government in devoting funds for the establishment of public schools, a duty that had been neglected since 1805, when the sale of public lands for the purpose of erecting such a fund had been authorized. Through his efforts the Legislature was finally induced to pass a law, providing for the distribution of the money and the establishment of a common school system. One of the first acts of the founder of Tompkinsville, after the village had attained sufficient growth to demand the establishment of a public school, was to provide means, under this act, for the education of its children. From that beginning dates the progress of the excellent common school system on Staten Island. Tompkinsville to-day has a fine public school, housed in a commodious and substantial brick building, that is located in a central portion of the building. The average attendance is about 500. The pupils are instructed by a force of teachers whose fitness and ability are well attested by the thoroughness of the course of study. The school is graded from the primary to the grammar departments, on a system that has been proved to be most efficient for the proper and thorough education of the scholars in all but the very highest departments of education.

In addition to the public school there are a number of private institutions of learning, prominent among which may be mentioned the Brighton Heights Seminary for girls, which is located upon the eminence bearing that name. The seminary was established in 1883, and the intention to make it the equal of its best schools in New York and Brooklyn has been faithfully carried out. In addition to the regular courses of study, some of the higher branches are taught, and music, drawing and French forms part of the curriculum. For the younger pupils a kindergarten has been provided.

When Governor Tompkins came to Staten Island, he, with his family, journeyed every Sunday to Port Richmond to attend divine service at the Dutch Reformed Church, which was established there in 1802 as an off-shoot from the



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old Church of same denomination. When the project of erecting a new place of worship was mooted in 1818, Gov. Tompkins donated two lots in Tompkinsville, but although the corner stone of the structure was laid in the Fall of the same year, it was not until July, 1823, that the building was finished and dedicated. For the following three years, the pulpit of the new church was served on alternate Sundays by the pastor from Port Richmond, but in 1823 the church was incorporated as a distinct society, which again profited by the munificence of the founder of the village, who donated additional land and contributed a considerable sum toward the fund for building a new church edifice.

During the next forty years the history of the society was uneventful, save for the occasional change of pastors on the death or resignation of an incumbent of the office. These changes were of rare occurrence, the first minister serving for nearly a quarter of a century, while from the time of his death until 1860 there were but three occasions when the pulpit was made temporarily vacant. In 1863 the corner stone of the present church building was laid, and the dedication services were held a year later. The old building was thereupon sold and has since been used for business and other purposes. The site of the new structure was well chosen. It is on Brighton Heights, and from it is obtained a grand view taking in the Bay and surrounding shores. About twelve years ago a fine Sunday School and lecture room was built at the rear of the church, and at the same time extensive repairs were made to the latter in celebration of the fact that the society was entirely free from debt.

St. Paul's Memorial Church of Edgewater, in which the residents of Tompkinsville of the Protestant Episcopal faith worship, was established in March, 1833, at a meeting of citizens, who at that time were attending St. Andrews, in Richmond, and who feel the need of a church nearer their homes. Until 1834 they had no church building, the seventeen original members meeting for worship at the house of some of their number. The society was not a very wealthy one in the beginning as shown by the fact that its first rector received a salary of but \$300 per annum, with ferry tickets for himself and family, that they might pass between the island and their home in New York. The corner stone of their first church edifice was laid July, 3, 1834, the bishop of the diocese officiating at the ceremony. The church was consecrated eleven months later, and was used until 1870, although owing to the weak financial condition of the society it was sold under foreclosure proceedings in 1861. Through the generosity of Judge Ward, they, however, regained their property, he purchasing it at the sale, and reselling it to the society on such terms as it could readily

meet. Judge Ward's philanthropy did not stop with this generous act, for shortly afterward he proposed to erect a new church, at his own expense on condition that the parish furnish it and build a rectory. The conditions having been promptly accepted the building was begun in 1866, though it was not completed until 1870. It was consecrated on May 31st of that year, and it was then that the name given at the beginning of this paragraph was adopted, as a token of respect and love for a sister of the society's benefactor. The church is a handsome stone building of substantial construction, costing in the neighborhood of \$50,000.

The Young Men's Christian Association of the East Shore is one of the institutions of a religious character,*of which the residents of the village may be justly proud. It was organized in June, 1883, by a number of young men



RESIDENCE ON RICHMOND TERRACE, TOMPKINSVILLE.

who formed the association, at a meeting held in the Brighton Height's Reformed Church. The membership at the beginning numbered thirty-seven, but by the end of the year there were over one hundred and fifty names on the roll. In addition to religious services, departments for various kinds of work and recreation were organized, and literary entertainments and debates instituted. A reading room and a well stocked library were added as the society grew in numbers and importance, and the Association may be numbered among the most beneficial and most highly regarded institutions in Richmond County.

Of all institutions carried on through the benevolence of the people of the community in which they flourish, the S. R. Smith Infirmary at Tompkinsville calls for more than mere commendation. Its inception was suggested at the beginning of the War of the Rebellion by the belief that there would be great need of institutions in which the sick relatives of poor soldiers, who had gone to the front in obedience to their country's call for defenders, might receive medical treatment without being compelled to draw upon their scanty incomes to meet the expenses of sickness. The Richmond County Medical Society brought up the question of founding such a worthy charity, in April, 1861, the dispensary which it had theretofore maintained for the relief of the sick poor, being considered inadequate to the demands that would have been undoubtedly made upon it at such a time. They presented their conclusions to the public and suggested the establishment of an infirmary to be named in honor of Dr. Samuel Russell Smith, a distinguished physician of Tompkinsville, who had died ten years previously, and a man who was highly esteemed for his benevolence and philanthropy. It was proposed to raise the funds by fixing a membership fee of five dollars per

annum and twenty-five dollars for a life membership. The idea met with hearty support, and in April, 1864, when the organization was completed by the election of a Board of Directors, and in the following month the infirmary was formally opened in one of the buildings on the old quarantine grounds, the use of which had been granted by the Government. Since that time the institution has gone steadily along with its noble work and has been the means of doing a vast amount of good in the healing of the sick, who, through lack of means, but for the charity thus dispensed might be compelled to go unattended to an early grave or through a life of misery. Thus what was founded to meet an emergency, has developed into a broad and perpetual work of philanthropy. Shortly after the plan to establish the institution were gotten under way the Ladies' Auxiliary of the S. R. Smith Infirmary was organized, and during



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the war did a grand work in assisting the infirmary through branch societies in the various church congregations on the island. There are a number of benevolent and social organizations in Tompkinsville, but there are few of them that call for mention. Most of the masons, odd fellows, and members of other similar organizations, who reside in Tompkinsville, belong to the lodges in adjacent villages. Some of these societies were organized in Tompkinsville and their initial meetings were held there, but for various reason they have removed their headquarters to other places in the vicinity outside of the limits of Tompkinsville.

The village has been the home of many men who are prominent in the arts, sciences and in the business affairs of the country, and many of them are still residents of the place. Their presence testifies to the great desirability of Tompkinsville as a place of residence, an advantage that has before pointed out in these pages and one that has been fully recognized, as shown by the numerous fine residences which dot the hills and border the beautiful streets of the village.

REPRESENTATIVE BUSINESS MEN OF TOMPKINSVILLE.



LEVERETT STONE, FLOUR AND FEED, TOMPKINSVILLE, S. I.

delivered free, while those received by mail are promptly attended to. Mr. Stone is a native of Ohio, and a very well known business man in this locality, and gives close personal attention to his present enterprise.

NICHOLAS HAY, Plumber, No. 50 Arietta Street, Tompkinsville, S. I.—Everybody knows that “an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure,” but everybody does not take advantage of this knowledge, and the result is that much serious sickness occurs that is entirely unnecessary, as it is plainly the consequence of carelessness. Some of the most common and deadly diseases are caused by defective plumbing, for sewer gas is as much a poison as arsenic, and the only way to keep it out of a house is to have the drainage system scientifically arranged and thoroughly constructed. In this connection we take pleasure in calling attention to the facilities possessed by Mr. Nicholas Hay, for the doing of sanitary plumbing, as he makes a speciality of such work and is thoroughly competent and reliable. His place of business is at No. 50 Arietta Street, and here may be found a complete line of plumbers, supplies, pipes, fittings etc., these articles being of the most improved type, and are offered at the lowest market rates. Mr. Hay is a native of Staten Island, and well known in this town. He began his present enterprise five years ago and employs two skilled assistants, and is in a position to give immediate and careful attention to all orders.

LEVERETT STONE, Oats, Hay, Straw, Flour, Feed and Grain, 41 Griffin Street, Tompkinsville, S. I. Free delivery a specialty. Orders by mail promptly attended to.—It is difficult to realize the extent of the trade in such standard commodities as flour, hay, grain and feed, etc., for although we may read the figures showing their annual production and consumption, the totals are so large that it is practically impossible to appreciate them. The best way to gain some adequate idea of the immensity of the business is to visit some representative establishment, as for instance, that conducted by Mr. Leverett Stone, and observe the extent of the operations in that one store, and then think of the many scattered throughout the country. Mr. Stone began operations here in 1891, and enjoys a very extensive and steadily increasing patronage. His premises are located at No. 41 Griffin Street and comprise a store 50 x 100 feet in size, and both a wholesale and retail business is carried on in Flour, Oats, Hay, Straw, Feed, and Grain, etc., being prepared to fill all orders without delay and at the lowest market rates, while the quality and weight is guaranteed to prove as represented in every instance. All orders are

GEO. ANGERMEIER, Pharmacist, Deutscher Apotheker, 34 First Avenue, Tompkinsville, S. I.—Were the various establishments of Tompkinsville to be mentioned in the order of their usefulness, that conducted by Mr. Geo. Angermeier would be prominent among the leaders of the list, for a well managed pharmacy is a great accommodation to the public, and no exceptions can reasonably be taken to the manner in which Mr. Angermeier carries on the establishments in question, the service being prompt, courteous and above all, reliable. This enterprise was started here five years ago by the present proprietor, who is a native of Penn. The premises made use of and located at No. 34 First Avenue, comprise one floor 25x35 feet in size and is very conveniently fitted up, particularly the prescription department, for a speciality is made of compounding physicians' prescriptions, and every facility is at hand to secure absolute accuracy in the filling of such orders. A complete assortment of drugs, medicines and chemicals is constantly carried, and the most unusual prescriptions can be compounded without delay, moderate charges being made in every instance. All other articles including toilet goods, etc., usually to be found in establishments of this kind, are dealt in and carried in great variety.



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customers are waited upon with a promptness that is greatly appreciated by people whose time is money, while goods are delivered at short notice, and every article is fully warranted to prove as represented.

F. BEUSCHER, Bread, Fancy Cake and Pies, Family Baking, 1 and 2 Montgomery Avenue, Tompkinsville, Staten Island. All orders promptly attended to—There are a great many people who know of Mr. F. Beuscher's "Bakery" which was established by him three years ago. He is a native of Germany and has steadily and energetically carried on his business since its inception. The premises occupied and located at Nos. 1 and 2 Montgomery Avenue, comprise a shop, and a well fitted up bakery, supplied with every modern convenience, measuring 25 x 35 feet in size. Bread, Fancy Cake and Pies of all kinds may be had here, and so popular are Mr. Beuscher's productions with the public, that the employment of three competent assistants are required to meet with the brisk and increasing demand of the large retail trade transacted. The goods coming from this bakery are made by skilled hands to be sure, but they would never have reached the point in the favor of the people that they now hold, were it not for the fact they are made of selected material and every detail of their manufacture carefully attended to. Mr. Beuscher may well take pride in the reputation his establishment holds, for it has been honestly earned and will be maintained in the future. The lowest market rates are quoted and every patron assured polite attention.

W. H. BAILEY'S Prescription Pharmacy, Tompkinsville, Staten Island.—This pharmacy is doubtless pleasantly familiar to many of our readers, for it has for many years ranked very high among local retail drug stores, and is to-day unquestionably as well managed an establishment of the kind as can be found in the state. The patrons of a Pharmacy have a right to expect the utmost caution on the part of the management when they are called upon to compound Physicians' prescriptions, and we are happy to say that this expectation is fully realized in the case of the establishment in question, for the proprietor, Mr. W. H. Bailey, spares no pains to guard against the possibility of even the slightest error, and has provided the most improved facilities for the measuring and general handling of the drugs and chemicals dealt in. The preparation of Physicians' prescriptions is recognized as the most important feature of the business, and the many orders daily filled, show that the public are appreciative of the advantages here offered. Mr. Bailey is a native of New York city, and has conducted his present enterprise for the last 15 years. A competent assistant is employed, and all callers are assured prompt attention.

GUSTAV STAIB, Market,

Cor. Swan & Van Duzer Sts., Tompkinsville, S. I.—“Different people have different tastes” and so it is not at all surprising that establishments which cater to but one class of trade should be looked upon unfavorably by the mass of the people. On the other hand, take an establishment which caters to the people as a whole, and it is almost sure to be generally popular if efficiently managed, and one prominent example of this fact is the market carried on by Mr. Gustav Staib, at the corner of Swan and Van Duzer Streets, for this store has become extremely popular since the present proprietor assumed control, in 1890, and the principal reason is simply this—careful efforts are made to satisfy all reasonable wants, and bottom prices are quoted on dependable goods. No detailed description of the stock is necessary—suffice it to say it comprises all the goods usually found in a strictly first-class market, and so far as possible is constantly kept full in every department. Employment is given to nine assistants, and

MRS. S. M. FIELD, Dry Goods and Notions, etc., No. 9 First Avenue, Tompkinsville, S. I.—The Ladies of this town and vicinity have reason to congratulate themselves upon their shopping facilities, for there are a large number of enterprising firms engaged in the dry goods business. Among the most popular of these stores, we will mention that conducted by Mrs. S. M. Field, dealer in dry goods and notions. The premises occupied are located at No. 9 First Avenue, and comprise one floor 22x20 feet in size. The assortment of goods which is always to be found here will bear the closest examination, as it contains a very careful selected collection of useful articles, as well as many novelties in fancy goods department. Gentlemen as well as ladies can find many choice articles of underwear here which will bear comparison with any in the town, both in quality and price. The assortment of notions will be found complete and selected articles, and quality cannot fail to please those in search of choice goods. These goods are warranted to prove as they are represented and satisfaction guaranteed. Pinking and stamping are also done with care. Employment is given to one careful assistant, who is prompt and obliging to all visitors. Mrs. Field is a native of England and started here in 1888.

JOSEPH WALKER, Manufacturer and Repairer of Fine Carriages, Estimates Furnished. Also Business Wagons for all purposes. Good Work, Reasonable Prices. Corner Arrietta Street and Richmond Turnpike—Tompkinsville, S. I.—Such of our readers as wish to obtain a carriage or a wagon, which they can thoroughly depend upon in every respect, may save time, trouble and perhaps money, by going directly to Mr. Joseph Walker, doing business on the corner of Arrietta Street and Richmond Turnpike. Mr. Walker does not make a practice of selling his goods "below cost" for that is not what he is in business for, but he does quote the lowest market rates on dependable vehicles, and gives a dollar's worth of value for every dollar received. He founded this business 30 years ago. Mr. Walker is a practical man, and has had many years of experience. He is a manufacturer and repairer of fine carriages and business wagons for all purposes. Every facility and convenience is at hand for doing work in the best and most perfect manner, and as, a full force of competent assistants are employed, work is turned out promptly, and all orders can be filled without delay. Special attention is given to repair work in all its branches, while estimates for new, will be furnished with pleasure. The premises utilized cover an area of 60x100 feet in dimensions, being well fitted up for the carrying on of the large business done. Mr. Walker is a native of England.

FRED. BRAUNER & CO. (Fred. Brauner, Pastry Cook, Hotel Castleton,) Would inform their friends and the public generally that they have purchased the business of John Fantozzi & Co., Baltimore Flats, Tompkinsville, and are prepared to supply Families, Parties, Weddings, Etc., Etc., with Ice Cream, Water Ices, Pastry, Fine Bread, and everything in their line, of the very best quality and at reasonable rates. Ladies and Gentlemen served with Coffee and Cake on the premises.—The food we eat has as important an influence on our health and well being as does the air we breathe, and no one needs to be told that bread, cake, pastry etc., form a very important portion of our daily food. Well made bread of itself is capable of supporting life, and no pains should be spared to see that the bread consumed in the family, is of such a character that it will furnish sufficient nutriment and strength. Not all the bakers' goods in the market are of equal merit by any means, and it is not common to come across articles on which such entire dependence can be placed as there can be on those manufactured and sold by Messrs. Fred. Brauner Co., located on Corner of Central Avenue and Arrietta Street. This establishment measures 20x60 feet in size. These premises are supplied with all requisite facilities, etc., for the proper conduct of their business. This enterprise was established five years ago by Messrs. Fantozzi & Co., and were succeeded by the present proprietors during the current year. They are Caterers and Confectioners furnishing Dinners, Weddings, Teas and Receptions with every requisite. Also dealers in ice cream, water ices, rolls, tea biscuits and fancy pastry. Three competent and reliable assistants are kept employed, and all orders are promptly attended to and executed in the most satisfactory manner, and the lowest prices consistent with the use of the best goods. Messrs. Fred. Brauner Company is composed of Fred. Brauner (pastry cook in Hotel Castleton) and Tony J. Aurada. Their Telephone call is No. 46F, by which orders can be reached.

LOUIS F. BARDES, Dealer in Fine Provisions, Beef, Veal, Mutton, Jersey Pork, Bacon, Bologna and Sausages of all kinds. 29 Griffin Street, Tompkinsville, S. I.—There is nothing like a good hearty meal to put a man at peace with himself and all mankind, and as meat is a necessity to such a meal, it is important to know where it may be bought to the best advantage. Many have solved the problem by patronizing the establishment conducted by Mr. Louis F. Bardes at No. 29 Griffin Street, and indeed it would be very difficult to find a more desirable place at which to obtain anything in the line of fine provisions such as beef, veal, mutton, pork, bacon, bologna and sausages of all kinds, etc. One floor measuring 20x30 feet is occupied, and the goods in stock are abundant and varied enough to make it an easy matter to suit all tastes and purses. The enterprise had its inception sixteen years ago, under the present proprietor, who is a native of this town, and well known both in business and social circles. Mr. Bardes quotes the very lowest rates and handles only reliable goods, which all customers may depend upon. Employment is given to one competent and reliable assistant, and customers are assured prompt attention, while all orders receive accurate and quick delivery. Years of experience in his present line enable Mr. Bardes to select and buy only the best quality of goods.

J. LOEFFLER, Photographer, 68 Bay Street, Corner Grant, Tompkinsville, S. I.—That homely old proverb, which declares that "the proof of the pudding is in the eating" goes straight to the root of the matter, as indeed, all these homely old proverbs are wont to do, and no better instance of it can be found in modern life than that afforded by the work of the Photographer. One may talk of "light and shade," of "attention to detail," of "artistic handling of a subject," for home, and it will not give half the real insight into a Photographer's skill that could be obtained by a few minutes examination of his work. So we will not take up space in describing the many excellencies of the productions of Mr. J. Loeffler of this town, but will simply invite our readers to visit his studio located at No. 68 Bay Street, corner of Grant. This gentleman is a native of Germany, and began operations here in Tompkinsville in 1860. He has built up a large and steadily increasing patronage by his prompt attention to orders, and by always striving to do his best. Photographs of any desired size or style will be made, and those who are most familiar with such work are the most out-spoken in their praise of the system of finish and generally satisfactory character of Mr. Loeffler's productions.

MRS. DRISCOLL'S, Star Laundry, The Cor. of St. Paul's Avenue and Sarah Ann Street, Tompkinsville, S. I.—Dirt and disease have been proved to be synonymous by the researches of modern science, and as this is the case, a well equipped public Laundry is even more useful than a hospital in any large community, for the former prevents disease, while the latter at best only cures it. For this reason we take great pleasure in making prominent mention of the "Star Laundry," for this establishment is well prepared to wage successful war against dirt, being equipped with the most improved facilities for cleaning clothing thoroughly and cheaply without injury. The Star Laundry was opened nine years ago, by the present proprietress, Mrs. Driscoll, who is a native of England, and is a woman of energy and "push" who is bound to make a success of whatever she undertakes. The premises occupied are 25x60 feet in dimensions and located on the corner of St. Paul's Avenue and Sarah and Ann Street, and are fitted up with every requisite facility for the doing of family washing in a thoroughly first class style; six competent and reliable assistants are employed, and all orders are promptly and carefully filled to the complete satisfaction of customers, while this laundry is steadily increasing in popularity under the proprietress's liberal and intelligent management.

HUGH McROBERTS, Wholesale and Retail dealer in all kinds of Sand and Gravel. General freighting. Foot of Arrietta Street, Tompkinsville, S. I. P. O. Box 105, Telephone Call 28f.—It is just about ten years since the business carried on by Mr. Hugh McRoberts was founded, and its present magnitude and the high reputation of its proprietor afford the best possible proof that it has been and is ably managed, and that Mr. McRoberts is prepared to meet all honorable competition. As a wholesale and retail dealer in all kinds of sand and gravel, he has such facilities as to enable him to furnish anything in that line in quantities to suit, at short notice and at positively bottom prices, and this being the case it is obvious that he can safely guarantee satisfaction to every customer. Orders for any service coming under the head of general freighting, are also promptly and satisfactorily filled, the work being carefully done and the charges being reasonable in every case. The premises utilized are located at the foot of Arrietta St., and are 214 x 300 feet in dimensions. Orders addressed to P. O. Box 105 or sent by telephone (Call No. 28f), are assured as prompt and careful attention as if given in person, and, in short, the service rendered is so well managed and so satisfactory in every department that the high popularity of this representative business enterprise is not at all difficult to account for.

JAMES SNYDER, Dealer in Stoves and Ranges, No. 6 Tompkins Avenue, Tompkinsville, S. I.—The question of whether furnace or stove heat should be used to warm a house, is one that has excited a good deal of discussion, and can never be definitely settled, for, under some conditions, a furnace will prove more economical and efficient, and under others, stoves will yield the best results. But whichever is chosen, one point should be carefully borne in mind, and that is "get the best." Great improvements have been made of late years in stoves and furnaces, and pains should be taken to patronize a house that handles the most modern patterns. No mistakes will be made in placing an order with Mr. James Snyder, for this gentleman has had large experience in this line of trade. He is a native of New York, and has won an enviable reputation for dealing honestly by all with whom he has business relations. The premises utilized and located at No. 6 Tompkins Avenue, are of the dimensions of 25 x 20 feet. Four skilled and competent assistants are employed, and a well selected stock of stoves, etc. are always carried, special attention being always given to jobbing and repairing. All callers here will find the store stocked with the best of goods of this line in town. This gentleman is Sole Agent for the Boynton Furnace Co.

C RYAN'S New York and Staten Island Express, Office, 90 and 92 Bay Street, P. O. Box 369, Stapleton Telephone Call 61b, Tompkinsville, S. I.—One of the largest and most reliable Express Co.'s in this part of the state is the one known as "Ryan's New York and Staten Island Express." The establishment was founded ten years ago by the present proprietor Mr. Ryan, and has been carried on by him very successfully ever since. The premises occupied are located at Nos. 151 and 153 Bay Street, and covers an area of 50x100 feet in dimensions. Their are daily deliveries each way between Staten Island and New York, leaving morning and afternoon, and all goods are delivered to or from New York with promptness. Mr. Ryan has a complete stock of wagons, vans and trucks suitable for moving furniture, or any kind of household goods or baggage. He employs five men, and keeps a good many horses. All moving is done in the most careful manner, by men who are trustworthy and experienced, and who are competent to pack the most delicate China and glass in a thoroughly satisfactory manner. Estimates are given when desired, for moving furniture, and the prices will be found uniformly moderate. Orders can be left at the office on Bay Street, in this town or at the New York one, which will receive prompt attention, or sent by Telephone Call No. 61b. Mr. Ryan is a native of Ireland.

JOHN COHEN, Manufacturer of Fine Carriages Light and Heavy, Repairing in all its Branches, Trimming and Painting, 90, 92 and 94 Bay Street. Estimates Furnished. Tompkinsville, S. I.—One of the most prominent horsemen in this country is reported to have said during a recent interview, "A cheap carriage is dear at any price," and no one who has had much experience with carriages will disagree with him in that respect, for they know that practically all the so-called "cheap" carriages are neither durable nor safe; neither comfortable nor easy running. By "cheap carriages" we mean those that are made to sell at so low a price as to prevent the use of good stock, the employment of skilled workmen and the careful carrying out of every detail of their manufacture; and that there are many such carriages in the market, will be denied by no one who is unprejudiced, and is acquainted with the facts in the case. But it is by no means necessary to pay a high price in order to get a high-grade vehicle, and one sure proof of this is afforded by the prices quoted by Mr. John Cohen, who carries on business at Nos. 90, 92 and 94 Bay Street, occupies premises measuring 100x104 feet, and is engaged in the manufacture of fine carriages, light and heavy; in the doing of repairing in all its branches, including trimming and painting in all their departments. Mr. Cohen will promptly and cheerfully furnish estimates on any work in his line, and will also fill all orders promptly for he employs 7 competent assistants and his shop is supplied with improved machinery and tools the use of which save time and consequently save money also. He has carried on his present business since 1878, has built up a large and select trade, and has a high and well deserved reputation for fair dealing with all customers, large and small.

JOHN C. POTTHOFF, Watches, Clocks, Jewelry and Silverware, 50 Arrietta Street, Tompkinsville, S. I., Special Attention Paid to the Repairing of Fine Watches; Jewelry, Clocks, Silverware, etc., neatly repaired and warranted.—It is perfectly natural of course that buyers of jewelry should give the preference to old established houses when placing their orders, for it is obvious that great frauds are possible in the handling of such articles, and

although the integrity of comparatively new concerns may not be questioned in the slightest degree, still such firms can certainly offer no greater advantages than can those of long standing and probability is they offer less. Then again a jeweler who has long carried on business in one community, gets to know the tastes of the people so thoroughly that his stock contains few, if any articles which will not be thought desirable, whereas a dealer who has not had the opportunity to acquire this knowledge will, of necessity, encumber his premises with goods for which their is practically no local demand. A good idea of what we mean by the first mentioned stock may be gained by visiting the store of Mr. John C. Potthoff, at No. 50 Arietta Street, for this gentleman carries a large stock of watches, clocks, jewelry, optical goods and silverware, etc. and has an experience extending over many years. Special attention is paid to the repairing of fine watches, clocks and silverware. The store occupied covers an area of 10x30 feet in dimensions and well fitted up, while the stock comprises the very latest novelties in jewelry and similar goods, and it would certainly seem as if all tastes, and all purses could be suited. One efficient assistant is employed and reasonable prices are charged. A specialty is made of winding and regulating clocks at private residences weekly at reasonable rate. Correct time guaranteed.

HENRY SCHWENCK, Wheelwright and Blacksmith, Repairing done in all its Branches, 56 and 125 Bay Street, Tompkinsville, S. I. (near Rubsam and Horrmann's Dock). All kinds of New and Second Hand Wagons for sale. Manufacturer of new patent Swings.—Such of our readers as wish to obtain a cart, truck or wagon would do well to call upon Mr. Henry Schwenck, of No. 56 Bay Street, near Rubsam and Horrmann's dock, for not only does he manufacture to order all kinds of carts, trucks and wagons and everything pertaining to that line of business but he also deals in all kinds of new and second hand wagons, takes old wagons in exchange for new ones, and last but by no means least, guarantees work to be solid and delivers nothing but work of first-class quality. And he charges no fancy prices either, for he does business on the principle of "quick sales and small profits," instead of the principle of "slow sales but big profits," which is too often practised by those handling wagons, carriages and other vehicles. Being an experienced wheelwright and blacksmith; having all necessary mechanical facilities, and employing seven competent assistants, Mr. Schwenck is prepared to do repairing in all its branches at short notice, in first-class style; and at reasonable rates, and some idea of the magnitude of his facilities may be gained from the fact that he utilizes two shops, one at 56 Bay Street, 50x60 and the other 125 Bay Street, 60x100 feet in dimensions. Give him a trial order and you will then feel like thanking us for calling your attention to advantages he offers. This gentleman is inventor and manufacturer of the new patent self-acting Swing.

K. FEIST'S Marble, Granite and Blue Stone Works, Corner of Griffin and Arietta Streets. Tompkinsville, Staten Island, P. O. Box 100. All kinds of Cemetery and Building Work done to order.—Mr. K. Feist's Marble, Granite and Blue Stone Works hold a leading position among the most truly representative and best known business establishments of Tompkinsville, and it is perfectly natural that such should be the case, for Mr. Feist began operations 18 years ago, has turned out first-class work at popular prices from the very first, has done his best to satisfy every reasonable customer, and in short, has honestly earned the extensive patronage and excellent reputation he now enjoys. The premises utilized are located at the corner of Griffin and Arietta Streets, and are about 200 feet square; there thus being ample room for the accommodation of heavy stock. Employment is given to 12 assistants, and the facilities are such as enable all kinds of cemetery and building work to be done to order at short notice and in first-class style, at prices as low as the lowest, quality considered. Communications addressed to Post Office Box 100, Tompkinsville, Staten Island, are ensured prompt and careful attention, and such of our readers as propose to place orders for anything in the line of cemetery or building work will best serve their own interests by giving Mr. Feist an opportunity to show what he can do for them.

F. W. SCHULTZ, House Painter and Decorator; Window, Picture, Coach, Car, Photograph, Cut, Ground and Colored Glass, etc., 52 Griffin Street, P. O. Box 62, Tompkinsville, S. I.—The manner in which a house is painted and decorated, externally and internally, has so important a bearing upon its appearance and durability that it is well worth while to take pains not only to have it painted often enough to insure against the shabbiness which follows neglect in this respect, but also to exercise care in the placing of the order and thus ensure against the use of inferior material and of unskilled or careless workmen. The residents of Tompkinsville and vicinity have found out by experience that orders placed with Mr. F. W. Schultz, of No. 52 Griffin Street, are sure to be satisfactorily filled, and as they have also found out that his charges are uniformly moderate, it is not at all surprising that his business has attained large proportions. Mr. Schultz is a native of Germany and has carried on his present enterprise about ten years. Besides doing house painting and decorating in all their branches he deals largely in window, picture, coach, car, photograph, cut, ground and colored glass; being prepared to furnish anything in this line in quantities to suit and at the lowest market rates. Mail orders are assured as prompt and careful attention as those given in person, and should be addressed to Post Office Box 62, Tompkinsville, Staten Island. Employment is given to 5 competent assistants, and practically all orders of any importance are done under Mr. Schultz's personal supervision.

PHILIP H. ARD, (Wm. Stahl's Nephew,) Tin, Slate and Felt Roofing, Tin and Sheet Iron Workers. Heaters and Ranges Cleaned, Repaired and Set. Roofs Repaired and Painted, Agent for the Perry Company Stoves and Ranges. 24 Griffin Street, Tompkinsville, S. I. P. O. Address Box 171, Tompkinsville, Box 309, Stapleton.—Of late years there have been great improvements in certain lines of manufacture, and in no industry has much greater progress been made than in that relating to the production of stoves and ranges. Some of the parlor stoves now on the market combine beauty and efficiency to a remarkable degree, but there are others, which are of but little use except for purely ornamental purposes, for their designers in attaining beauty of form and decoration, seriously injured the heating qualities. However, there is no need of purchasing a stove defective in any respect, and the best way to avoid doing so is to buy of such dealers as Mr. Philip H. Ard, (Wm. Stahl's Nephew) for he has had sufficient experience to be thoroughly familiar with the leading styles of heating and cooking stoves, and handles none which he has reason to believe will not give satisfaction. Mr. Ard is a tin, slate and felt roofer, tin and sheet iron worker, and agent for the sale of the Perry Company stoves and ranges, heaters are also cleaned and repaired. while roofs are repaired and painted. The premises used and located at No. 24 Griffin Street, comprise one floor 35x50 feet in dimensions, and a large stock of stoves, etc., is constantly carried.

CHARLES BAESZLER, Agt., Enterprise Boarding and Livery Stables. Horses, Carriages and Light Wagons to Let at Reasonable rates. 14 Arrietta Street, near the Ferry landing, Tompkinsville, S. I.—It is sometimes a puzzling question to decide why one man will succeed in an enterprise, while others apparently having equal, if not better opportunities will fail, but it does not require very profound calculations to explain why Mr. Charles Baeszler should have built up so desirable a business from a small beginning within the past eleven years, for no one can have dealings with him without being impressed by his evident determination to thoroughly satisfy every reasonable customer. Mr. Baeszler began business in Tompkinsville in 1881, and now carries on "The Enterprise Boarding and Livery Stable," and is prepared to furnish desirable teams at short notice and at very reasonable rates. Employment is given to competent assistants, and probably no small share of the success attained is due to the care taken to keep things in first-class condition. Mr. Baeszler is a native of Staten Island. The premises occupied are 200x50 feet in dimensions, and located at No. 14 Arrietta Street, near the ferry landing. Horses are boarded and well taken care of at reasonable prices, and no pains are spared to maintain the high reputation.



FIRST AVE. BETWEEN MONROE AND MONTGOMERY AVES.

NEW BRIGHTON REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE. Harry C. Jones, General Auctioneer, Real Estate and Fire Insurance Agent, No. 50 Arrietta Street, P. O. Box 11, Tompkinsville, S. I.—There is a great deal of valuable property to be insured on Staten Island, and as a natural consequence, there are several well-equipped Insurance Agencies there, but not one that affords more genuine inducements than that conducted by Mr. Harry C. Jones, for this gentleman is prepared to write policies in all of the leading companies doing business in this country, at the lowest rates, and to give prompt and careful attention to every commission received. Mr. Jones is a native of New Brighton and inaugurated his present enterprise twelve years ago, but he is very far from being a stranger to the residents of this town on the contrary no Tompkinsville business man is more widely and favorably known. He is also an Auctioneer and Real Estate agent. His office is located at No. 50 Arrietta Street. Mr. Jones is always ready to give callers any desired information in the above lines of business, with pleasure. Considering Mr. Jones' wide spread and sound integrity, and his very extensive acquaintance, it is not surprising that his facilities should already have been made very general use of by his many patrons.

GEO. F. DORR, Upholsterer and Paper Hanger, Carpet Layer, No. 8 Bay Street, Tompkinsville.—The American people as a class are very extravagant, but this extravagance is as a general thing more the result of thoughtlessness than of any deliberate intention to spend lavishly. Take for instance the matter of furniture, and we find that thousands of dollars worth of somewhat worn goods of this kind, are thrust away into garrets or sold to second hand dealers, for a mere trifle, when a few dollars spent in renewing the upholstery would make the articles as good as new. This is no mere unfounded personal assertion of our's, it is a positive fact, easily susceptible of proof, as may be discovered by very little investigation. Mr. Geo. F. Dorr of this town is a thoroughly practical Upholsterer, and has such excellent facilities at his command as to enable him to fill orders at very short notice, and in a thoroughly workmanlike manner, while his charges are uniformly moderate. The premises occupied are located at No. 8 Bay street, measuring 30x50 feet in dimensions, there furniture and mattresses are made and renewed, carpets are also sewed and laid in first class style, paper hanging is also done in the best manner. Mr. Dorr who is a native of Germany is also a dealer in Canary Birds, Seeds and Cages, and since beginning operations, 6 years ago, has built up quite a large and prosperous trade.

C. P. WALSH, Standard Market, Choice Meats, Lowest Prices, 52 Griffin Street, Tompkinsville, S. I.,—"The Standard Market" is very appropriately named, for it is one of those deservedly popular, but rather scarce establishments, at which goods of uniformly standard quality are sold at bottom prices. You can depend upon getting full value for every cent you spend at this store, and you can depend upon being waited upon courteously and as promptly as circumstances will allow, so it is no wonder that the Standard Market is a favorite with the public, and that its patronage is large, although it was not opened until 1892 by the present proprietor, Mr. C. P. Walsh, a native of Canada. It is located at No. 52 Griffin Street, and always contains a large and well selected stock of choice meats, fresh vegetables, and such other goods as are usually kept in a reliable and enterprising family market. Employment is given to 3 efficient assistants, and goods are delivered promptly and accurately, and are guaranteed to prove precisely as represented in every respect.

KARL BINDEWALD, Carriage and Wagon Manufacturer, Repairing neatly done in all its Branches, With Promptness and Dispatch, 47 and 49 Griffin Street, Tompkinsville, Staten Island.—Paint and varnish are very useful substances, so useful in fact that civilized people would find it decidedly hard to do without them—but still their use is by no means always beneficial, for they so effectually cover up stock and workmanship that even an expert cannot be sure that a newly painted carriage is as good as it looks. The well informed and careful buyer, knows that a vehicle made of inferior stock or poorly put together is dear at any price, for "accidents will happen." and an accident to such a vehicle is almost sure to cause serious damage to the carriage and injury to the occupants of it, while on the other hand if the vehicle is truly first-class it will stand sudden and severe strains without giving way. Therefore it pays to "get the best," especially as there is no need of paying fancy prices in order to do so, and one sure way to get strictly first-class carriages and wagons at bottom rates is to place the order with Mr. Karl Bindewald, for he has had long and varied experience in the manufacture of such vehicles, and he is prepared to guarantee everything to prove just as represented, and to quote as low prices as can be quoted on vehicles skillfully made from the best of stock. Mr. Bindewald is a native of Germany and has carried on his present business since 1880, during which time he has built up a large trade, and established a most enviable reputation for "squareness" and promptness. He occupies premises 50x100 feet in dimensions, located at Nos. 47 and 49 Griffin Street, and fitted up with all necessary facilities for the manufacture of carriages and wagons, and the doing of repairing in all its many branches. Employment is given to seven competent assistants, and all orders are assured prompt and careful attention, no pains being spared to deliver all goods at the time promised.

JAMES CUNNEEN, Practical Plumber, Gas and Steam Fitter, No. 2 Griffin Street, Cor. Richmond Turnpike, Tompkinsville, S. I. Sanitary Work a Speciality. Dwellings, Stores and Public Places Fitted Up on Reasonable Terms. Jobbing Work Promptly Attended to. A Full Line of House Furnishing Goods.—In the light of modern discovery, it seems odd that disease should be looked upon as inevitable, and an epidemic as a judgment upon the people, and in point of fact, these views of such things have about passed away and the people are coming to know that the plumber can do more to prevent disease than the physician can do to heal it. This of course is a general statement and is not applicable to every call or to every plumber either, but, nevertheless, there is no denying the fact that many a house is a hot-bed of disease, that were it properly drained, etc., would be as healthful a tenement as could be wished for. Many people call themselves "plumbers." Many plumbers call themselves "Sanitary engineers," but after all it is just as well to be on the safe side, and if you want to secure the services of a really reliable plumber, to employ one who has had an extended experience as Mr. James Cunneen. This gentleman founded his present establishment eight years ago. The premises in use are located at No. 2 Griffin Street, and comprise one floor 15x35 feet in dimensions, and orders left there for Plumbing, Gas and Steam Fitting will receive prompt and skillful attention. Employment is given to three competent assistants, and Sanitary Plumbing is made a specialty, while jobbing work is promptly attended to. Mr. Cunneen is a native of New York, and keeps a full line of house furnishing goods in stock.

DESCRIPTIVE SKETCH OF NEW BRIGHTON.



JERSEY ST., NEW BRIGHTON.



IN the early days of Staten Island's history, the terraces on the north shore, near it's upper extremity, were a favorite spot for the erection of the homes of the descendants of these sturdy old Hollanders, who laid the foundations of New York's commercial greatness. And at the time when the northern boundary of the coming metropolis extended no further than Chambers Street, when the Battery Park was the trysting place of the sons and daughters of the elite of the city, and the Bowery did not belie it's name, the solid business men, the shining lights of the legal and other professions had their country residences here. Some of the old mansions still remain as evidences of the taste in architecture of that day, and while they may suffer by comparison with the beautiful designs and graceful outlines of the modern villas that are their near neighbors, there is an air of comfort and solidity about them, and an atmosphere of the generous hospitality that characterised their owners in the days long gone by. But although their tenents of colonial times have gone, and their memory is in many cases little more than a tradition their deeds of benevolence and charity, their then importance in the business world and the part they played in stirring events that marked the close of that epoch and the beginning of the Nation's history, are almost forgotten, save by their immediate descendants, and by the historian delving in the records of the past, what they were and what they did during their span of life, have left their impression upon the country and particularly upon this little corner of the world in which they drew the inspiration of great deeds, of noble efforts in the sphere to which they had been called. They have left a rich heritance for those who followed, a heritance worthily bestowed, it would appear, if we could follow the lives and acts of their children. But this little history has more to do with communities than with individuals, and we will leave to other and abler chroniclers the pleasant task of crystallizing these acts in the pages of history.

Since colonial times the beauties of the bluffs and terraces upon which the village of New Brighton stands, have proved most attractive to lovers of nature, and those who seek a healthy retreat far from the noise and dust and heat of the city's streets. Here combined with a most salubrious climate and air permeated with the ozone manufactured

in nature's great laboratory, are to be found the grandest and most inspiring views. Far to the west, beyond the low-lying land of New Jersey lie the Orange Mountains, beautiful in the Summer and Fall months, and grand in their garment of snow in the Winter. Between lie busy cities and pushing villages, and the entire scene making a picture that no artist's brush would dare attempt to introduce. Beyond the wide bay on the north is the great city, and the noble rivers bearing the fleets of all nations, bringing the commerce of the world to the portals of the greatest country of them all. Word fails to describe the sensations of the observer who views these scenes for the first time from the vantage point of the hills of New Brighton. In this place poets, philosophers, men eminent as authors and jurist have dwelt, and drawn inspiration with every breath of the glorious air. Here are the homes of innumerable



KILL VON KULL RIVER, NEW BRIGHTON.

people prominent in the affairs of to-day. Men with vast business enterprises depending for success upon their individual; men, who in science, literature and the arts, have gained an enviable place; people of affairs, people of leisure, all have been attracted and held by the unsurpassed charms of this beautiful spot.

In a social sense New Brighton holds a pre-eminent place among the suburbs of New York and has well earned the distinction. While many of the residents make it their home the year around, a considerable number reside here only during the summer months, and during the season there is a continual round of events in the social circle that have made the village notable in the world of society. Prominent athletic organizations have their club houses here, and their entertainments are enjoyed by the people in their circle of acquaintances. In fact, opportunities for the enjoyment of the recreations and pleasures which the possession of a good bank account can insure are unbounded. It must not be inferred that the population is entirely made up of wealthy people. New Brighton has a class of solid, substantial citizens, whose brain and muscle, contribute no small part of the energy that turns the wheels of progress in the great city over the bay people, without whom no community can be assured of permanent prosperity and a commanding position. To such as these New Brighton owes much of the importance which she holds outside of the limits of Staten Island. The large number of this most desirable class of citizens who have located their homes in the village, has caused its borders to be extended until they embrace the whole of one of the largest townships in Richmond County.

The first charter for the incorporation of the village of New Brighton was granted by the Legislature of New York in April, 1866, the corporate limits embracing the northern half of the town of Castleton. There were at first four wards, each represented by a trustee, appointed by the Legislature to carry the provisions of the act of incorporation into effect. The original act did not give satisfaction, largely because those living in the township, outside of the village, objected to the payment of the heavy taxes, which the maintenance of a full corps of town officers, neces-

sitated. Therefore, in 1872, the charter was amended to include the remainder of Castleton, and the enlarged village was separated into six wards, the entire territory covering about four miles by two. Within these limits are included part of the village of Tompkinsville, all of West Brighton, Livingstone, St. George and Sailors' Snug Harbor.

Since then the charter has been amended several times to provide for improvements and the necessity for the extension of greater powers to the village authorities, such as the growth and importance of the place have presented from time to time. New Brighton is now one of the largest, if not the largest, incorporated village in the State of New York, covering a vast extent of territory, and containing a population of 17,000 souls. Shortly before the charter was amended to take in the entire town, a fine large village hall was erected on Lafayette Avenue, the building, which is substantially constructed of brick, being completed in 1871. The structure has ample accommodations for the various departments of the village government, the offices being large, light and airy. The Surrogate of the county holds court in the building on Tuesday of each week, and four justices of the peace hold frequent sittings to dispose of such cases as may be brought before them.

When the village was incorporated there was no public water supply, the residents, and such manufacturing establishments as then existed, drawing what they needed from private wells and springs. There is now and has been for some years an excellent and abundant supply from the reservoirs of the Staten Island Water Company, whose works, located within the village limits, were built in 1880. They began operation in August of the following year, at which time they had a capacity for supplying water at the rate of a million and a quarter gallons a day. The water was pumped from a well twenty-seven feet deep by thirteen feet in diameter, and the supply was held to be practically exhaustless. Since the work of laying mains in the village was begun, eighteen miles have been put down, and additions are being constantly made, so that, in the course of time, even the most sparsely settled sections of the village will have the benefit of the excellent service. Additional pumping facilities have been provided, since the works were originally put into operation, insuring an abundant and never-failing supply. The water is of unusual purity, clear as crystal, and sweet and pleasant to the taste.

With the introduction of a public water service, the necessity for proper sewerage presented itself. It was promptly recognized, and immediate steps were taken to supply the evident need, and prevent the possibility of epidemics, and malarial diseases, which was very greatly increased by the inadequacy of cesspools under the freer use of water in private residences. In 1884, the work of constructing sewers was begun and carried rapidly forward. The most approved system was adopted after a careful weighing of the merit of the various plans presented, and it can safely be said that no village in the State is better supplied in this respect. The work is now nearly completed, sewer pipes having within the past eight years been laid throughout nearly the entire length of the fifty-two miles of streets. It might be said here that one of the most noticeable features of New Brighton's streets and roads, is the excellent manner in which the road commissioners, and those having charge of public works, attend to their duties. The macadamized roads are kept in good repair, and the sidewalks, even in the thinly settled districts, are well paved with broad flag stones.

The system of electric lighting, which some years ago superseded the gas street lamps, has been extended to nearly all the streets of the village. Two systems are used, the arc and the incandescent. The former is represented by ninety-seven lamps of 25 candle power each and of the incandescent lights there are four hundred, of equal power.

The arrangements for fighting and extinguishing fires in New Brighton are unsurpassed. The department, which is comprised of two steam fire engines, four hose carriages and two hook and ladder trucks, is governed by a Board of Representatives, two from each of the companies, and the direction of the forces, while at work, is in the hands of a chief engineer, appointed to the position, not through political or other influences, but because of his fitness for the duties of the office. The rank and file of the department tender their services voluntarily, and as they are composed of the best young men of the village, the department is free from the rowdiness and petty jealousy, which too often characterize similar organizations, and render them a terror rather than a protection to the citizen whom they pretend to serve. An appropriation of \$3,000, from the village treasury, is annually divided among the different companies, and, through entertainments and benefit performances the balance of the funds necessary to keep the department up to its present standard of efficiency, is obtained.

In the possession of churches, schools and other institutions of a religious and educational character, New Brighton is more abundantly blessed than many more pretentious places. And this fact testifies to the ultra refinement and culture of the people of this village. In the older parts of New Brighton, that is to say, the portion incorporated under the charter of 1866, there are but two or three church edifices, but there are within the corporate limits twelve or more flourishing church societies, some of them being among the oldest as well as the most influential, on the island. One of the first, if not the first, of the church societies organized in New Brighton was the "Congressional Church of the Evangelists," which was incorporated in 1851. Its first meetings were held at the Belmont house, the services of the pastor being divided between this church and a Unitarian congregation in Stapleton. Thus, for the first six months, services were held only on alternate Sundays in the two places of worship, but at the end of this period the two congregations consolidated, and the name of the "Church of the Redeemer" was chosen for the united societies. A church building was erected in 1853, on the Richmond Turnpike and Cebra Avenue, and the society grew so rapidly, that, in a short time, the edifice had to be enlarged to nearly double its original capacity. The location, however, soon came to be considered undesirable, as most of the congregation lived at some distance from

the church, and found it almost impracticable to reach it in inclement weather. For a long period, the church was in danger of disintegration, as interest in it, after the pastor went to Europe, was lost by very many of the members. The society struggled along, and in 1865, after an unsuccessful attempt to induce their first pastor, who had now returned to the United States, to come back to them, the church building was sold and removed, and the ground was also disposed of, the proceeds of the sale being invested in Government bonds. Three years later, the population of New Brighton having considerably increased in the meantime, an attempt was made to reorganize the society, and after a somewhat disappointing experience, extending over a number of weeks, the result was finally achieved. Property was purchased at Clinton Avenue and Second Street, and a church building erected. The society however



RICHMOND TERRACE, NEAR WESTERVELT AVE., NEW BRIGHTON.

was not destined to live. It had great difficulty in securing pastors, and for a long time the pulpit was unoccupied. But for the efforts of George William Curtis, who conducted the services for many Sundays, reading printed sermons; the church would have been closed much sooner than it was. Finally, early in the '80, services were entirely discontinued, and until 1884 the church was unoccupied until it was let to the First Baptist Church of New Brighton. The latter society was incorporated in June, 1884, and was fortunate in securing the fine building of the Church of Redeemer. It was reorganized in 1886.

The first Protestant Episcopal Church in New Brighton was organized in 1849, as an offshoot from St. Paul's in Tompkinsville. In 1850 the nave of the church was built, the transepts being finished some years later. The name Christ Church was adopted when the society was incorporated. The building is a handsome structure, surrounded by well kept grounds, and stands on Franklin Avenue, near Second Street. The society has at ways been prosperous and to-day the number of members exceeds three hundred.

St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church of New Brighton was the first of that denomination to be established on Staten Island. It was organized in April, 1830, by a few people of the Catholic faith, who met in the "gun factory." In the course of a few years, the society having grown in numbers, and in prosperity erected a church edifice on ground donated for the purpose by the "New Brighton Association." During the pastorate of Father Barry, a priest respected and admired by the residents, of whatever faith, the grounds and the church have been beautified, and a cemetery laid out and consecrated. He was also instrumental in securing a parish school-building which is one of the largest and best appointed in Richmond county.

There has just been completed and dedicated a beautiful church at Sailors' Snug Harbor to be known as the Randall Memorial Church. Prominent clergymen of various denominations participated in the dedication ceremonies.

The church will be undenominational, being neither Episcopalian nor Presbyterian, the founder having arranged that these two great churches should be alternately represented, but as it will have worshipers of other faiths their possible religious prejudices will be duly respected.

The public school system was extended to New Brighton early in the history of the village, and has grown and extended with it. Fine buildings have been provided and a force of teachers of recognized ability and fitness for the work have given to the school a standing which is second to none. There are four school districts in the village; two of which are located within the old corporate limits, one in West Brighton and the other at Castleton Corners. The attendance at these schools is large. In addition to the public schools there are several private institutions of learning among which may be mentioned St. Austin's school for boys, which was established in 1883.

The number of charitable and other public institutions in New Brighton is large and varied. Perhaps the most important, as it is national in character as well as in reputation, is Sailors' Snug Harbor, which was founded by the bequest of Robert Richard Randall, a wealthy retired sea captain, who died in New York City on June 5th, 1801. The money with which this beneficent charity was to be established and continued is left in trust with the chancellor of the State of New York, the presidents of the Chamber of Commerce and the Marine Society, respectively, and the senior minister of the Episcopal Church and the senior minister of the Presbyterian Church of New York City. He desired that the trustees secure an act of incorporation for Sailors' Snug Harbor, and accordingly it was incorporated in February, 1806. It was the intention of Captain Randall that the institution should be located on a portion of the property in the city, but for various reasons the trustees deemed it advisable to locate it elsewhere and the necessary permission was asked of the State Legislature in 1817, but it was not until 1823, after repeated applications that the act of incorporation was amended so that the change could be made in the site. Two years more were consumed in defending the suits which had been brought by contestants of the will. Then the real work of carrying out Captain Randall's wishes was begun in earnest. After inspecting a number of eligible places on Long Island and Staten Island, the present site was chosen in May, 1831, and on the 21st of October following, the corner stone of the "Harbor" was laid, with impressive ceremonies, the address being delivered by the then Chancellor of the State. The institution was dedicated and formally opened on August 1st, 1833, the first inmates consisting of thirty worn out seamen, who must have considered this the most delightful haven they had ever reached in their storm-tossed lives. In 1825, upon the opening of Eighth Street through that part of the Randall property in which the good old Captain's remains rested, the body was temporarily placed in a vault in St. Mark's Church, from whence it was removed in 1834 to Staten Island, to be interred in its final resting place in the "Harbor." It was placed beneath a marble monument, which had been erected in front of the central building of the institution, and upon which had been inscribed a brief history of the origin of Snug Harbor. The ground originally purchased contained one hundred and thirty acres, but from time to time as more space was needed, adjoining tracts were purchased, and at the present time the property covers nearly two hundred acres. No more desirable location for such an institution could have been chosen, not alone because of its healthfulness, but on account of its proximity to the water, without a view of which the "old salts" who are passing their declining days here would be entirely lost, and the discontent and peevishness so often accompanying old age, in an individual who has led an active and stirring life, would otherwise be more difficult to appease. Some thirty or forty acres are devoted to the buildings; which number thirty-five, and include a hospital with accommodations for between two hundred and two hundred and fifty patients, 8 dormitory buildings, in which there is room for a thousand men, dwellings for officers, servants and other employes, kitchens, in connection with which there is a large ice house and refrigerating room, a laundry and a clothes room, and a number of buildings devoted to various branches of mechanical work, among which may be enumerated, blacksmithing, painting, steam-sawing and planing and carpentering. The main buildings, eight in number, are devoted to the offices of the governor and his assistants, to reception, library, and reading rooms, dining rooms, steward's office, kitchens, matron's apartments and clothes-room. These buildings are faced with marble and are handsome and imposing although built in accordance with the architectural ideas of a past generation. The grounds and walks about these buildings present an appearance of neatness and order, that speaks volumes for the orderliness of the establishment. In fact throughout all departments the same attention to those details which are essential to a cheerful frame of mind, and the well-being and comfort of the inmates is everywhere observable. All that goes to make Sailors' Snug Harbor to-day what its name implies could not have been done, had those who have carried out the great and noble work been dependent upon the meagre annual income of \$4,200, which was all that the trust yielded in the beginning. Judicious investment of the capital and the careful expenditure of the funds have yielded an income that is amply sufficient to support an even larger institution and provide every possible necessity and comfort and many luxuries for the beneficiaries of the charity. No labor is imposed upon the inmates, but many of them find congenial occupation and earn snug little sums in making hammocks, baskets, boat models and various nicknacks which they are permitted to take up to the city to sell. In 1884, an heroic bronze statue of Captain Robert Richard Randall, the founder of the harbor, was erected upon a polished granite pedestal, between the Governor's house and the main buildings. It was unveiled on May 30th, of that year, the late honorable Erastus Brooks, an old and prominent resident of New Brighton, and the Honorable Algenon S. Sullivan being among the principal speakers on this occasion.

The social element, as we have already stated, is a marked characteristic of New Brighton and finds expression in the variety of ways peculiar to a community of refined people. It was here that the first athletic organization to be

established on Staten Island was formed. The Staten Island Athletic Club which is one of the foremost of its kind in the State was organized by a party of gentlemen in 1887, and in the following year inaugurated a series of games which attracted widespread interest. The membership rapidly increased and in 1880, a handsome boathouse was built on the shore of the Kill von Kull, and very soon after it went into its new quarters, the roll showed a list of two hundred and sixty active members. Subsequently land was purchased on which were erected club houses, a grand stand and a fine athletic track. Among the games which never fail to draw a large audience are foot ball, base ball, tennis and lacrosse, and many others in which the members are proficient. The club is a member of the National Association, of Amateur Athletics, and of the Kill von Kull Rowing Association.

Next in importance as an association devoted to athletic sports is the Staten Island Cricket and Base Ball Club, whose beautiful grounds at Livingston, are the favorite resort of the fashion and beauty of New Brighton on long summer afternoons, when the club is giving one of its numerous exhibitions or entertaining its friends socially. It was incorporated in 1886, and at present has over five hundred members. It is one of the most prominent organizations of its character in New York State, if not in the country. Many famous cricket matches, with the crack clubs of the United States have been played on its grounds, and many exciting base ball and tennis contests have been decided here. In connection with the male membership there is a woman's auxiliary known as the Ladies' Club for out-door sports, which has exclusive use of the grounds on Fridays. This club has over three hundred members, so that with the junior male members, another branch, the total membership is close to one thousand.

The Staten Island Rowing Club is another New Brighton institution devoted to athletic sports, which was organized in 1878, and which has a large number of members, including many ladies. The club does not participate in regattas or races with other organizations, but is nevertheless fully equipped for such a struggle, and would be a formidable opponent for any amateur club to meet.

There are a large number of social, religious and benevolent societies in New Brighton, all of them having a large membership, and all of them being prominent and important organizations. The Young Men's Christian Association is in a flourishing condition and has been the means of rescuing old and young men from a life of recklessness and folly. It was organized in 1867, and incorporated in the same year. In August, 1871, the corner stone of their handsome building on Richmond Terrace, or the Shore Road, as it was then called, was laid and it was completed and dedicated one year later. Beside the large auditorium, there are commodious reading rooms, a well-stocked library and a cosy sitting room.

The Natural Science Association is an organization of considerable prominence and is made up of men who are enthusiastic in the search for knowledge of the life and habits of animals, birds, fishes, reptiles, insects, etc., and of the nature and peculiarity of trees and plants. It was organized in 1880 and has now about sixty active members, who meet periodically in the village hall, to compare notes and listen to the reading of papers on subjects of special interest to workers in this field of knowledge.

In the number and variety of its business interests New Brighton holds a leading place among the villages of Staten Island. Most of these establishments are located in the portion of the village which came into the corporation under the charter as amended in 1872, and therefore may not properly be described at length in this chapter. Among them may be prominently mentioned the several dyeing and scouring establishments which have made the name "Staten Island" known throughout the country as something more than a mere geographical designation. Next in importance is the plaster mill which is located on the shore of the Kill, near the New Brighton station of the Rapid Transit Railroad, where they have a water frontage of over two hundred feet. There are few establishments of a similar character in the country having a greater producing capacity. This work gives employment to about one hundred men and employ a large number of vessels in transporting raw material and the finished product. They were partially destroyed by fire in 1885, but were almost immediately rebuilt, on a larger and more improved plan, and have been in continuous operation ever since. The manufacture of card board for photographers' use is also carried on in the village and a large electric plant is in process of construction.

There are two banking institutions in the village. The First National of New Brighton is the only bank in Richmond county that issues bank notes. It is located in temporary quarters at the foot of Wall St., St. George, but will soon have a handsome building of its own. The bank has a capital of \$100,000 and a surplus of \$40,000. It does a regular banking business of deposits, discount and collection, selling drafts on all parts of the world.

The Richmond County Savings Bank is a strong financial institution, and has a large capital and a long list of depositors, including many among the employees of the various manufacturing establishments of the village.

There are many thriving weekly newspapers published in New Brighton, and a flourishing press club contributes to the feeling of fraternity among the the journalists of the village with detracting from the laudable spirit of enterprise and rivalry, which keeps the papers up to the high standard of excellence demanded by a community of such intelligence and progressiveness.

New Brighton derives some prominence from the fact that it is the Staten Island terminus of the Rapid Transit system, which has done so much in the past few years to build up the population of the island and enhance the value of its property. The ferry docks, and the main depot in which the trains from both sides of the island arrive and depart, are located at the point known as St. George.

REPRESENTATIVE BUSINESS MEN OF NEW BRIGHTON.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK, of Staten Island, at New Brighton, N. Y. Capital, \$100,000.00 Surplus and Profits, \$45,405.15 Officers: H. E. Alexander, President, J. F. Emmons, Vice-President, C. H. Ingalls, Cashier.—At the basis of our modern financial system and in great measure constituting its stability and power are conservative banking institutions. The wide range of commercial operations, the steady ebb and flow of the ocean of trade, and all the manifold results which flow from wisely gathered and applied capital, are dependent upon the quiet but far reaching activity of a great financial system which is based upon the national banks. The First National Bank of Staten Island, at New Brighton, N. Y., has now for the best part of a decade illustrated the beneficial and conserving effects of this system upon local business affairs. The bank was organized and incorporated in 1886 (March 1st) with a capital stock of \$100,000.00, and the last annual report (March 1, 1892) exhibited a surplus fund and undivided profits exceeding \$40,000.00, which has been increased during the succeeding nine months to over \$45,000, nearly 50 per cent. of the original capital. This solid and brilliant showing has been due to careful study of local and general financial conditions, and the application of the best principles of banking. The report May 4, 1893 is as follows:

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts.....	\$454,537 78	Capital stock paid in.....	\$100,000 00
Over drafts secured and unsecured.....	1,304 44	Surplus fund.....	30,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation....	25,000 00	Undivided profits.....	15,405 15
Due from approved reserve agents.....	41,445 38	National Bank notes outstanding.....	21,680 00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures.....	3,600 00	Dividends unpaid.....	30 00
Other real estate and mortgage owned.....	5,400 00	Individual deposits subject to check 387,033 74	
Current expenses and taxes paid.....	2,497 53	Demand Certificates of Deposit.	2,743 69
Premiums on U. S. Bonds.....	1,000 00	Certified checks..	1,629 80
Checks and other cash items.....	471 48	Cashier's checks outstanding.....	2,826 58 394,233 81
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents..	959 62	Due to State Banks and bankers.....	24 52
Specie.....	12,807 25		
Legal tender notes.....	11,225 00	Total.....	561,373 48
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)....	1,125 00		
Total.....	561,373 48		

The value of such an institution, liberal, yet conservative, to business interests in this section can not be over estimated. Only those who are familiar with the general conditions of finance and business life appreciate how many times the banks have carried the country and particular sections over difficult crisis, and their success not only indicates good management, but also a thriving commercial activity, of which that success is at once the measure and an added force thereto. The First National Bank of Staten Island has made uninterrupted progress from its inception, and one great cause has been the liberal spirit always shown to those dealing with it and on the principles of sound business. It now has over 800 depositors, and seven clerks are required to take charge of its growing volume of business. The Bank is about to provide itself with a new Banking room near its present site, of ample dimensions, attractively fitted up, and provided with the most modern and perfected safes for deposit and security. The resources of the bank net nearly \$600,000.00, of the most approved and guaranteed securities. Regular semi-annual dividends are declared to stockholders, and the surplus is earned on fair and judicious loans, by which the progressive influence of the bank is extended throughout all the branches of local business life. The facilities of the bank for all the details of modern banking, both in this and foreign countries, are unsurpassed. The officers and directors of the bank are solid and experienced business men. President James M. Davis is a well-known retired banker, Mr. H. E. Alexander, vice-president, is a banker of long experience, member of firm of Latham, Alexander & Co., Bankers of N. Y. City, and Mr. C. H. Ingalls, Cashier, who organized and started the institution has been in the banking business for over 30 years. Among the directors of the bank, Mr. J. F. Emmons is the president of the Staten Island Rapid Transit Railroad and also member of the firm of H. L. Horton & Co. N. Y. City, Mr. A. G. Methfessel is ex principal of the Staten Island Academy; Mr. Sidney F. Rawson, is a member of the Law firm of DeGroot, Rawson & Stafford of Port Richmond and also ex-district attorney of Richmond County; Mr. Jacob I. Houseman is director of the Gansevoort Bank New York City, and Oyster Merchant, Mariners' Harbor. The other directors are Major C. T. Barrett, Mr. Louis Dejonge, Jr. of Dejonge & Co., N. Y. City; Mr. A. B. Boardman of Tracy, Boardman & Platt, N. Y.; Mr. Eberhard Faber of Lead Pencil fame; Mr. C. C. Eddy of C. C. Eddy & Sons, Stapleton; Mr. August Horrmann the well-known Brewer of Stapleton; Mr. Chas. E. Griffith of Port Richmond, and Mr. P. G. Ullman of Huguenot, S. I. This strong and representative board well indicates the substantial footing and thorough reliability of this well-known institution, and the strong position it occupies in the community.

HILLYER & HARTLEY, Wholesale and Retail Grocers, 373 Richmond Terrace, New Brighton, S. I.—Among the oldest and most reliable business houses in its line through this vicinity we would call especial attention to the grocers house of Hillyer & Hartley, at 373 Richmond Terrace, this city. It was first established here in 1866, by its present proprietors, and during the generation since that time, now over twenty-six years, it has maintained a leading position for the finest class of trade in this important department. The reputation and goods of this house have extended throughout the Island, and are alike well known to the oldest residents and summer visitors. The great retail trade which has been built up requires ten experienced clerks to help in managing, and at the finely fitted up store of this house (30x70 in size) a varied and attractive stock of the finest groceries is kept constantly on hand. All goods are thoroughly guaranteed and prices are maintained at the lowest market figures. Enjoying the special connections which this house does, and by rapidly turning over a large stock of the best grocery articles, patrons are enabled to obtain everything desired in this line at practically wholesale terms. Those understanding the difference between the fresh, invigorating goods of a progressive house like the one under consideration, and old shelf-dried groceries, will not be slow to take advantage of the attractions which this house offers, and if not hitherto aware of them will undoubtedly be grateful for this information. Both members of this firm are among our oldest and most substantial business men. Mr. Hillyer is a native of Staten Island and Ex-Treasurer of this village, Mr. Hartley is a native of England. Their trade is both wholesale and retail.

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KOENIG, Photo Artist. Instantaneous Portraits and Landscapes a Speciality. Richmond Terrace, New Brighton, S. I. P. O. Box 319.—It is amazing to consider the progress made, when we remember that the modern art of photography is hardly half a century old. It has gone forward with such strides that even half a decade shows many improvements and additions. The application of advanced ideas from physics and chemistry is constantly giving us new and important departures. A photo artist, who has established a high reputation for fineness and delicacy of work, may be cited in Mr. Max Koenig, whose studio is at 393 Richmond Terrace. His business was established here in 1889, and since that time has grown steadily, as the high quality of his work has become widely known. At his neatly decorated and arranged rooms, which are 25x40 ft. in dimensions, will be found a complete outfit of all the most modern appliances in this line. He has made a specialty of instantaneous photographs, and his work in this line has excited wide interest and notice. This is a department in which an exceptionally high range of skill is required, and the large success won by Mr. Koenig demonstrates his ability as an artist. All who are not familiar with the exceptionally interesting and important results attained by the instantaneous process should take the first opportunity of examining them at Mr. Koenig's studio. Mr. Koenig also gives especial attention to landscape photography, and those desiring work of this nature will be eminently pleased by his artistic skill, and the beauty of finish in his work. His terms are very moderate, and all visitors at his studio, where a courteous assistant is in attendance receive every consideration and attention.

W. T. VREDENBURGH, Proprietor of Vredenburg's Cough Cure, Vredenburg's Toothache Drops, Vredenburg's Iodine Liniment. A Full Assortment of Pure Drugs and Medicines, English French and German Chemicals, Combs, Brushes, Perfumeries, Soaps and Fancy Toilet Articles. Prescriptions carefully compounded day or night. Chemist and Druggist, Richmond Terrace Cor. of Jersey Street, New Brighton, S. I. —Until human ills shall all be remedied, and the doctor be a dream of the past, no branch of trade will be of more immediate interest and importance to the whole community than that of the druggist. Dealing as he does in drugs of the greatest potency, where the difference of a few grains may sometimes mean a human life, it is of evident concern to know that the man we entrust these matters to shall be qualified by thorough training, skilled judgment and experience. No druggist-house in this vicinity has longer enjoyed a high reputation for reliability and care in all particulars, than conducted by Mr. W. T. Vredenburg at 377 Richmond Terrace, this city. According to the pharmacists motto of unvarying exactness in the slightest particulars all orders and prescriptions receive the most scrupulous care. Two licensed and thoroughly accomplished clerks are employed, and the business receives the constant supervision of Mr. Vredenburg himself, who is a pharmacist of long and high standing. He has carried on his business here for a quarter of a century, having first opened it in 1867, and through all the changes since it has grown steadily in extent of influence and patronage. Many of the best physicians of the section rely on Mr. Vredenburg's accuracy and care, and all our readers may feel safe in entrusting the most important and delicate commissions to his charge. He carries also in his fully fitted out store (25x35 ft. in size) an attractive stock of fancy articles. This gentleman is proprietor of Vredenburg's Celebrated Cough Cure, Toothache Drops and Iodine Liniment. These remedies will be found invaluable.

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W. A. COLLINS, Real Estate Broker, Staten Island Real Estate a Specialty New Brighton, Staten Island.—In these days when so many places have been boomed on other grounds than their intrinsic merits, it is of high importance to be able to command the services of an established real estate broker, whose long experience and high reputation give great weight to his judgments and opinions. Such a reputation has been established by the real estate brokerage business conducted by Mr. W. A. Collins of New Brighton. It was established in 1872 by the present proprietor, and during all the fluctuations, depressed and inflated periods that have elapsed during the past twenty years he has kept his eye on the situation and won wide recognition as a cautious, conservative and yet progressive business man. During the past decade the advance in values of real property in this vicinity has been steady and marked. This Mr. Collins has made a special study and is therefore in a most advantageous position to render valuable services to both buyers and sellers. His wide connections enable him to make speedy and profitable transfers, and all interests placed in his hands are sure to receive constant and faithful attention. He has many attractive bargains at his disposal, and it will well repay anyone desirous of investigating the safe and profitable investments open in this vicinity to consult the large and valuable lists of Mr. Collins. He has led long and extended experience in the management of estates, all the details being managed most carefully, and owners may have the utmost confidence in the value and reliability of his opinions and able management. Mr. Collins is a native of Brooklyn, but has been a resident and honored business man in New Brighton for over thirty years.

JOSH. M. PILLING, Watch Maker and Jeweler, New Brighton, S. I.—We are beyond question living in the fastest age of the world's history. Steam and electricity, under pressure of our nervous American temperament, have combined to give a rush and celerity to all the affairs of life never equalled before. Business transactions in particular are carried on with the utmost dispatch. It therefore becomes a prime necessity to be supplied with the most accurate means of measuring the time, in order that one may not be left behind in the procession. Mr. Josh. M. Pilling has for many years carried on a trade in watch-making and jewelry which has made it a definite surety that goods purchased of him will be exactly as represented. One cannot afford to take any chances in the matter of a good watch, and in these days of specious imitations and good looking shams, the only way to be sure of a reliable article, is to purchase only from a first-class and established dealer. At his neatly fitted out store, (10x30 in dimensions) Mr. Pilling has displayed a most handsome and attractive line of American and foreign watches, and also a large stock of valuable jewelry. As the holiday season approaches the value of these goods as permanent and beautiful memorials becomes strikingly apparent. A fine watch is always a desideratum, and any desiring to obtain a superior article at a specially low figure will do well to examine this stock. Mr. Pilling is an experienced watch maker and jeweler, and all repairing work left to his charge will be most thoroughly and conscientiously performed. All patrons may be assured of receiving prompt and courteous attention. The goods and the workmanship of this house are invariably guaranteed. Mr. Pilling is a native of England, and his business, established in 1881, has long ranked among our most solid and progressive houses.

JOHN J. SANTRY, Plumbing, Gas and Steam Fitting. Wholesale Dealer in Wrought and Cast Iron Pipe. Stores, Dwellings and Public Buildings Fitted with Pipes for Water, Steam and Gas. New Brighton, S. I.—Modern life would beat a sad loss without the efficient plumber who in numberless and often unrecognized ways contributes to the comfort, ease and safety of all homes, especially those in a populous community. The necessities of water, supply drainage, and facilities for bathing and toilet, place every modern home in a position of complete dependence upon the man who manages these important pipes and connections. A house which enjoys an unexcelled reputation for work of this kind, is that conducted by Mr. John J. Santry, at above address. His business was established in 1877, and during the past fifteen years he has carried it uninterruptedly forward, branching out and keeping alert of all improvements. He now employs twelve competent men and is prepared to do the most thorough and satisfactory work in all lines of plumbing, gas and steam-fitting. He is able to undertake the largest contracts, constantly give and all work his personal supervision. And all jobbing work is executed with great care and promptness. His terms will be found most reasonable and we commend our readers needing work of this kind to this reliable house. At his store-room and office (25x50 in size and thoroughly fitted up) will be found a very large and representative wholesale stock in all lines connected with this business. Water closets, wash basins, hot and cold shower baths, trays, hoppers, sinks, pumps, boilers, hydraulic rams, fountains, chandeliers and all styles of gas fixtures are kept constantly on hand. Mr. Santry is a native of Staten Island, and his extensive trade and high reputation are the well-earned reward of honorable and progressive business principles.

C. W. KUEPPER, Machinist, Lock, Gun and Ship Smith, Electric and Mechanical Bells, Speaking Tubes, Railing and Agricultural Machinery manufactured and repaired. 395 Richmond Terrace, New Brighton, S. I. Also Dealer in Hardware, House Furnishing Goods, Lawn Mowers and Sewing Machines. (Branch Shops: 26 Griffin Street, Tompkinsville.)—The advance of engineering and the mechanical arts is one of the peculiar triumphs of our time. The needs of the people have developed many appliances and mechanical devices which it requires the most expert training and long experience to successfully produce and keep in order. Mr. C. W. Kuepper, at 395 Richmond Terrace, this city, has for years sustained a high reputation for doing the best of work in this line. His business was established in 1878, and has made large advances through the ensuing years. As a machinist, lock, gun and ship smith, there is no kind of important and delicate work which can not be performed at his large establishment with greatest dispatch and thoroughness. Five competent assistants are employed and a large retail business conducted. He has also a branch shop at Tompkinsville (26 Griffin Street). A specialty is made of all kinds of electrical work, bells, speaking tubes, railings and agricultural machinery of all kinds are put in, repaired and kept in the best running order. Mr. Kuepper is also a dealer in hardware, house-furnishing goods, lawn mowers and sewing machines. In all these lines a large and valuable stock is kept constantly on hand. An attractive display will be found at his main store, which is 25x35 in dimensions. We can assure all our readers that dealings with this old reliable house will be found thoroughly satisfactory. The house is prepared to give special attention to important orders requiring haste, and will never be found lacking in all requirements of a first-class establishment of its kind. Mr. Kuepper is a native of Germany, and in the course of a long residence and business experience in this section has won wide esteem and obtained recognition as a representative business man.

HENRY W. WELZIN, Watchmaker and Jeweler, 413 Richmond Terrace, New Brighton, S. I. A good stock of Watches, Jewelry, Clocks, Silverware and Eye Glasses, constantly on hand. All Repairs are Done Under Guarantee. N. B.—Repairing of Fine Watches, a Specialty.—Skill and enterprise are nowhere in greater demand to-day than in the production of fine watches and it is undeniable that the American market now leads the world. Among the old and established houses in this line of our locality, the business conducted by Mr. Henry W. Welzin, at 413 Richmond Terrace, holds a high rank. Established nineteen years ago it has maintained its position since as a progressive and in every way reliable establishment in all goods of this description. One skilled assistant is employed and all commissions for fine and thoroughly made watches are executed with the greatest care. A full line of valuable and standard time pieces is kept in stock, and both gold and silver goods are sold at low rates. Repairing and cleaning of time pieces is also performed thoroughly and with despatch. Mr. Welzin also keeps on hand a valuable and extensive assortment of fine jewelry, including solid and plated ware of the best makers and personal jewels and adornments of all descriptions. His stock of eyeglasses is also an extensive one, and customers are assured of obtaining first-class goods and are guaranteed satisfaction in purchasing of this reliable house. Mr. Welzin is a native of Germany, and one of our honored and substantial business men. This gentleman makes a specialty of repairing fine and complicated watches.

W. E. SHEEHAN, Carriage Maker, 71 Jersey Street, New Brighton, Staten Island. Estimates Furnished. —Stylish and durable carriages are now in great demand and there is no part of the country where they are more appreciated than through this section. An establishment which has gained high praise for its artistic work is that conducted by Mr. W. E. Sheehan at No. 71 Jersey Street. It was begun here by Mr. Sheehan in 1885, and for seven years its trade and reputation have extended as its work has become better known. Two competent assistants are employed and all orders receive most careful and immediate attention. The well-arranged and fitted shops of this house are 35x50 feet in size and contain a full line of everything needed in work of this sort. Mr. Sheehan makes a specialty of fine carriages to order, carrying out original or approved designs, and his facilities for the best work of this character are unexcelled. His prices are moderate and both in elegance and style of workmanship as well as in enduring qualities, thorough satisfaction is guaranteed. Heavier wagons and teams are also carefully and solidly built, and estimates for work of this kind are always most cheerfully rendered. Repairing and jobbing work are attended to with dispatch and thoroughness. We recommend to our readers an examination of the facilities offered by this house, and assure them that they will be pleased with the fulfillment of all orders consigned to its care. Mr. Sheehan is a native of New Jersey and one of our established and honorable business men.

D. J. DONOVAN, Butcher, Dealer in Beef, Mutton, Lamb, Pork, Veal, Vegetables, etc. Poultry and Game in Season. 173 York Avenue, New Brighton, S. I.—In many respects the butchers' business stands in the front rank of importance among our industrial concerns. There are no forms which contain so much life-sustaining power as the finest meats, and at the same time, if not in proper condition no kind of food can accomplish more injury. It is therefore doubly important to deal only with a reliable butcher, and an establishment in this line which has maintained a high reputation is that conducted by D. J. Donovan at 173 York Avenue, this city. This business was first established two years ago, and an extensive retail trade has been built up on the basis of honorable dealings and progressive business principles. People of this section have come to understand that they can always find the best quality of beef, lamb, mutton, pork and veal at this reliable store and at New York city prices. One courteous assistant is employed, patrons being invariably served with promptness and care. The store premises are completely fitted up with all the perquisites of a first-class butchers' establishment, being 25x35 feet in dimensions. In addition to choice meats, a full stock of fresh vegetables and country produce is kept on hand and in its season, poultry and game. It is needless to say that the quality, price and condition of all goods bought here are completely guaranteed. Mr. Donovan is a native of Staten Island, and his record and experience place him among our honored and progressive business men.

THOS. TRIGG, Baker, 179 Jersey Street, New Brighton, N. Y.—The bakers' trade still enjoys a high popularity, as of old, and rather seems to be outstriking its earlier importance and extent. Many improved methods and recipes are constantly found, and it pays to trade with a progressive and thoroughly alive establishment. The baking and confection trade conducted by Mr. Thos. Trigg, at 179 Jersey Street, has shown itself to be thoroughly abreast of the times. It was first opened by its present owner and manager two years ago, and its product has had a constantly increasing sale. The store premises (25x35 ft. in size) are fitted up in most modern and thorough manner, and the stock displayed of fine bread, biscuits, cakes, pies and other bakers' goods and confections presents an attractive appearance. The goods made here are guaranteed to be of the best material and quality, prepared in most approved styles. The prices are lowest current, and with the assistance of one experienced clerk, all customers are promptly and courteously served. A special service for regular patrons enables them to obtain their daily supplies in the best condition and economical form. Special orders also for large gatherings and the best kind of catering can be entrusted to this reliable house with the assurance of thorough satisfaction. We commend our readers to its experienced and able services. Mr. Trigg is a native of England, and one of our respected business men.

C. A. BOHMLER, Fine Boots and Shoes, 66 Jersey Street, New Brighton, Staten Island. Repairing neatly Done.—The boot and shoe trade is a necessity of civilized life. In this climate, changeable and uncertain, where only the best goods can give satisfaction or prove at all durable, it is important to deal only with houses whose name is a guarantee of reliable goods. Such a house in this line is that conducted by Mr. C. A. Bohmler at 66 Jersey St. Established in 1878 by its present proprietor, it has gone forward without interruption since under his progressive management, and a valuable and select retail trade is now conducted. At his neatly fitted store premises (20x35 ft. in size), will be found a large, well arranged stock in all lines of boots and shoes, for ladies', gentlemen's and children's wear. The most perfect hand-made and special fitting goods are carried at very reasonable figures, and the goods of this store will be found to surpass in elegance, easy fit and durability. We would recommend all our readers to make a careful examination of the stock of this reliable store, and especially of the prices at which fine goods are offered. Satisfaction is guaranteed and the most courteous and careful service given to all patrons and visitors. At this period there are special lines of foot gear adapted to the season and climatic conditions; these as well as a fine stock of rubbers and overshoes, will be found well represented in Mr. Bohmler's stock. Mr. Bohmler is a native of Germany and holds a recognized position among our substantial and progressive merchants.

SARATOGA MARKET, OTTO MOLLER, Prop., Dealer in Choice Meats, Groceries and Provisions, A Complete Assortment of Goods usually kept in a First-Class Store, 70 Jersey Street, New Brighton, S. I.—Strict competition soon demonstrates those business establishments possessing the qualities which win public esteem and command success. Unless great energy and thorough fidelity are shown it becomes impossible to keep up with the hurrying procession, but once given these qualities and success is assured. The trade in choice meats, groceries and provisions, carried on by Mr. Otto Moller, at 70 Jersey Street, for the past two years, has been exemplification of these principles, and shown that the public appreciate enterprise and honorable dealings. The attractive store premises of this house (30x55 ft. in dimensions) are thoroughly stocked with a large and select line of goods including the choicest meats, vegetables and groceries of all description. The greatest care is taken in securing only the best grade of goods, and the facilities for keeping them in the best condition are most excellent and thorough. The store is fitted with all the modern conveniences in this line, and all patrons are assured of satisfaction both as to quality and price. By careful study and arrangements Mr. Moller has been able to obtain advantageous connections, which benefits he shares with his customers, and upon the special attractions of his low prices for valuable goods must be based the success of his large and growing business. Mr. Moller is a native of Germany, and by the exercise of great industry and enterprise has obtained a recognized place among our honorable and solid merchants.

W. W. CORBETT, Real Estate, No. 11 York Ave., New Brighton, N. Y.—In a steadily growing and improving section, a live real estate business is of the highest value and importance. Only one familiar with all the advantages and characteristics of the locality, as well as with all legal forms and requirements in the action, can manage properties and estates, or present attractive openings to newcomers as such a section demands. In spite of two much unhealthy booming in some places, more of the prosperity and fame for thriving towns is due to reliable real estate men than is often recognized. Such a real estate business has been conducted here for the past twelve years by Mr. W. W. Corbett, No. 11 York Ave. By long and thorough study he has mastered the salient features of all this section, and his reputation for care and probity in the management of estates is of the highest. He employs at this work one competent clerk, and can render valuable assistance to all needing information or services in this line. He has numerous attractive properties at his disposal and can satisfy demands of varied types. An examination of some of the solid and valuable investments he handles will be of interest to any contemplating action in these lines, and our readers may be assured, that all commissions and estates placed in Mr. Corbett's care will be managed with great conservatism, safety and thorough satisfaction. Mr. Corbett is a native of England, has been a Civil-Justice here for twenty years past and his long experience, wide connections and established reputation enable him to offer peculiar advantages to all placing matters of business in his hands. Miss L. Corbett, who is located in the same office, is prepared to do typewriting in first-class style and at short notice. This lady is too well known both social and in business circles to need extended mention.

JOHNSON BRO., Dealers in Stoves, Ranges and Hot Air Furnaces. Beebe and Perfect Ranges House Furnishing Goods. 382 Richmond Terrace, New Brighton, S. I.—The problem of sanitary, regular and economical house-heating has long been made the special study of many talented engineers and inventors. As a result we have a greatly improved style of stoves and hot-air furnaces, the advance of the last decade in this direction being very remarkable. No business house has enjoyed a higher reputation through this locality for goods of this description than that conducted by Johnson Bros., at 382 Richmond Terrace. It was established two years ago by its present efficient proprietors, and by applying the most modern and scientific principles, a large and valuable retail trade has been built up. Seven efficient and courteous assistants are employed and great care and energy are given to the execution of all orders with utmost despatch. At the attractive store premises of this house, (25x50 in dimensions) a varied and extensive stock of stoves, ranges, furnaces, and house furnishing goods of all descriptions, is kept constantly supplied. The hot air furnaces, of which this house makes a specialty, are of the latest and best style, and it will repay all thoughtful householders desiring an improvement in this department of the domestic economy, to give this specialty a careful examination. The goods sold by this house are guaranteed to give satisfaction, and prices and terms will be found most reasonable. This is a line in which it pays to get the best and patronize only a first-class house. Both members of this firm, Mr. J. C. and Mr. G. W. C. Johnson are natives of New Brighton.

D. C. DECKER, Agt. for N. Y. Biscuit Co., 4 Jersey Street, New Brighton, N. Y.—A business house which in recent years has built up a wide and well-deserved patronage through this section, is that conducted by Mr. D. C. Decker, 4 Jersey Street, this city, as agent for the N. Y. Biscuit Co. His trade in fancy and staple crackers of all kinds was established here four years ago by himself, and has been built up on the basis of the finest and freshest goods at lowest market rates. His trade which extends through the Island is wholesale exclusively, and seven men are required to aid in handling the numerous orders received daily. The commodious and well-fitted up store rooms (30x60 in dimensions) are stocked with a fine line of the products of the well-known house, the N. Y. Biscuit Co. Their goods need no eulogium in this vicinity where they are well known, and it is to the skill in introducing and care in delivering these goods in best condition, that the large success of this business is due. For household and domestic purposes as well as for hotels, restaurants, and tourists, these staple lines of crackers are unsurpassed. Only pure flour and the most skillful recipes are used, and the wide satisfaction given by these goods is an incontrovertible argument in their favor. We trust any of our merchant patrons, not hitherto dealing with this house will take advantage of the opportunities and prices given by them to open up a profitable branch of their trade. Mr. Decker is a native of Staten Island, a progressive and honorable business man, where success is due to the principles of integrity and enterprise.

J. B. MARENGHI, Choice Foreign and Domestic Fruits, and Confectionery, 381 Richmond Terrace, New Brighton S. I.—The trade in sweet-meats and confections is one of ancient origin, the taste being as old as man, and the business dating back to the dawn of civilization. The ancient Greeks and Romans were familiar with stores and merchants in this line, and in recent times the art has made great advances. Along with a growing demand for confections has also grown up a greater demand for foreign and domestic fruits, and no house in this section has catered more successfully to this demand than that conducted by Mr. J. B. Marengi, at 381 Richmond Terrace. This business was established by Mr. Marengi, four years ago, and a fine retail trade has since been built up. Mr. Marengi keeps a constant supply of the finest foreign fruits, freshly imported and in the best condition. Those desiring delicious table

fruit, so advantageous for the health as well as appetizing will find great satisfaction in patronizing this reliable store. The store premises (20x35 ft. in dimensions) are thoroughly fitted up and kept in the best order. In addition to his large stock of fruit, Mr. Marengi carries a varied and fresh stock of fine candies. His prices are moderate and those buying here may rest assured that they are receiving only the purest and most wholesome goods. Mr. Marengi is a native of Italy and by patient and honorable industry has established a good name as one of our solid business men.



RICHMOND TERRACE, NEAR JERSEY STREET, NEW BRIGHTON.



WM. RUSSELL, Carpenter and Builder, at 365 Richmond Terrace, New Brighton, S. I.

—The trade of the carpenter is one of the oldest and most honorable of human industries. There is no need to demonstrate that it began with the first steps of civilization, improving with its progress, nor need we recapitulate the illustrious names connected with its history. A business house in this line which has gained a lasting and wide reputation for the best grade of work, is that conducted by Mr. Wm. Russell at 365 Richmond Terrace, New Brighton. It was established by Mr. Russell six years ago, and since that time many testimonials of his thoroughness as a contractor and artistic builder have been erected in this vicinity. He employs competent workmen and is prepared to execute all contracts with utmost dispatch and fidelity. He gives constant supervision to all work undertaken, guaranteeing that the smallest details shall be carried out intelligently and carefully. Estimates of work in this line are always cheerfully rendered, and we recommend to those of our readers contemplating any line of building to examine the facilities, and this man is acknowledged to have one of the best equipped workshops in the town. He carries a large stock of carpenters' materials, and all orders for jobbing and repairing are promptly executed. Mr. Russell holds a recognized place among the most respected and enterprising business men. This gentleman is prepared to furnish air-tight show cases for Fair Exhibits having had considerable experience in this line.

JAMES E. DEVINE, Electrical and Mechanical Bellhanger, and Locksmith, 363 Richmond Terrace, New Brighton, S. I. Wiring for Electric Lighting, Burglar Alarms, Call Bells, Annunciators, etc. Builders' Hardware. Estimates Furnished. Repairing a Specialty.—The greatest discoveries of our time have been along the line of electricity and the applications to popular use of this great mechanical agent during the past dozen years have been wonderful and varied. No doubt the time will come when this great and subtle force will be bought by the pound-case or can in condensed form and carried home to run all the various appurtenances of domestic life. Already its uses are so numerous as to defy classification outside of a volume. An electrical and mechanical business house which has established a high reputation for thoroughness and efficiency of work is that conducted by Mr. Jas. E. Devine at the above address. He employs the assistance of two competent mechanics, and give personal supervision to all contracts. As a bellhanger and locksmith, with all allied lines of work such as wiring for electric-lights, burglar-alarms, call-bells, annunciators, etc., he has shown the greatest efficiency and accomplished most satisfactory results. At his neatly fitted up store premises (25x35 ft. in size) he carried an extensive and valuable stock for both wholesale and retail trade in the line of goods indicated above and also a full line of builders' hardware. Repairing work is done with great promptness and thorough satisfaction. This house will cheerfully furnish estimates for work in its lines at any time, and we commend our readers to Mr. Devine, assured that all work undertaken will be strictly carried through and on most reasonable terms. This gentleman is a native of Staten Island and ranks among our most progressive and honorable business men.

DAVID B. CARR, Finest Brands of Segars and Tobacco, also a Full Assortment of Stationery, Toys Notions, etc., Confectionery, Fruits, Horton's Ice Cream, Jersey Street, near Terrace, New Brighton, S. I.—A cultivated taste in tobaccos and segars is an acquirement and luxury, which those not possessing, loose much of the beauty of physical existence. A good cigar is always a consolation and also inspiring, as the numerous scholars and professional men devoted to its charms, will unhesitatingly affirm. Among the business houses which have obtained wide and permanent recognition here in this line, is that conducted by Mr. David B. Carr, on Jersey Street, this city. The lover of a first-class Havana, Key West or domestic cigar, as well as a fine chewing or smoking tobacco, will always find most attractive goods here. This house was established six years ago by its present proprietor and has made steady progress since. In addition to the large and varied stock of tobaccos, an interesting assortment of toys, stationery, notions, as well as confectionery, fruit and Horton's ice-cream is kept on hand. Those who desire a superior article at moderate rates will patronize this well established store with thorough and growing satisfaction. One courteous clerk is employed, and all customers receive prompt and careful attention. The store premises (25x50 in dimensions,) are attractively fitted up and the large stock set off to good advantage. We can commend our readers with thorough confidence to this reliable establishment. Mr. Carr is a native of Scotland.

ROBERT LYON, Carpenter and Builder, Estimates Furnished, Jobbing Done. Fine Hardwood Work a Specialty, P. O. Box 230, 5 Jersey St., New Brighton, S. I.—Scientific carpentering has kept pace with the advances of art and mechanics in our day. Increasing specialization has resulted in the manufacturing of many parts needed in completing a house by great wholesalers, but there never was greater need of workmanship and artistic ideas in appreciating and embodying architectural designs than to-day. Mr. Robert Lyon, 5 Jersey St. this city, established his carpentering and building business here five years ago, and in succeeding years has given repeated evidences of thorough efficiency and skill in the most advanced and modern types of building. He employs fifteen competent men in carrying on his regular trade, and large contracts are handled with the utmost fidelity and exactness. He makes a specialty of fine hardwood work, especially oak and walnut, and some of the interiors in hardwood which he has completed have been models in our interior building art. At his thoroughly fitted up premises (35x60 in dimensions) he keeps a large line of finished lumber and builders' materials on hand. He gladly submits estimates to all desiring to figure on work in his line, and whenever he undertakes to fulfill a contract, our patrons may be assured that he will complete every detail with energy, care and promptitude. Jobbing wood work of all descriptions is performed with dispatch and at low rates. Satisfaction in all particulars is an invariable guarantee when work is undertaken. Mr. Lyon is a native of New York, thoroughly trained and expert in this line, and holding a respected place among our progressive and strong business men.

JOHN J. WOOD, Dealer in Wood and Coal, Best Grades of Lehigh Coal, Also Pine, Oak and Hickory Wood, Sawed and Split; Yard, Foot of Jersey Street, Adjoining King's Plaster Mills, New Brighton, S. I. Telephone Call, 40 B. P. O. Box 6.—In these days of strenuous competition no line of staple use is more in demand than coal. This might almost be called the age of coal, as almost all our industrial and domestic operations are based upon it. To be able to secure through a reliable dealer the best styles of coal at lowest possible rates is a matter of great importance. John J. Wood, on Jersey Street, adjoining King's Plaster Mills, this city, has established a reputation as an honorable and progressive dealer in coal and wood, meriting the consideration of all our readers. He began this business here in 1890, and has rapidly built up a large retail trade, requiring five employees constantly to handle it. The aim of this house has been to make such wholesale connections that the corners to which this staple is so liable might be avoided, and the best terms secured for their customers. He has therefore carried on an immense stock, purchasing with judgment and foresight, and have won lasting reputation as being especially considerate of their patron's interests. The large yards and sheds of this establishment covering an area of about 7500 square feet will always be found stocked with a full line in all the best grades of coal. A valuable stock of hard and soft woods for kindling and grate purposes is also kept on hand, and all trading with this reliable concern are guaranteed satisfaction both in goods and price. Mr. Wood is a native of Staten Island and a leader among our respected and enterprising merchants.

VICTOR F. MEYER, Bicycles and Sporting Goods, Richmond Terrace, near Snug Harbor Station, New Brighton, S. I.—In the past five years no athletic sport has grown in popularity more steadily than bicycling. In amateur lines some of the records made have been more remarkable than those of the great racing horses, and for all persons the advantages which the fleet wheel combines of easy and rapid locomotion, with pleasurable and healthful exercise has been becoming more and more apparent. A business home which has already made itself felt as a center of the wheeling interests of Staten Island, is that conducted by Mr. Victor F. Meyer at Richmond Terrace, New Brighton, near Snug Harbor station. Established during the present year, Mr. Meyer has based the growing success of his enterprise upon a wide and thorough acquaintance with wheelmen, and to all such, his thoroughly fitted up store will be found a complete emporium. In all lines of bicyclers goods, including also a valuable stock of the most approved safeties and other wheels, any one needing goods in this line will be sure to find what he or she wants here. Mr. Meyer is prepared to sell bicycles on the most advantageous terms, we commend any of our readers considering such a wise investment to his ample stock and thorough experience. He also carries a large stock in other lines of athletic and sporting goods, the latest things in athletic wear and literature. As Staten Island has always been a great athletic center we have no doubt that this enterprise will be fully and widely appreciated. Mr. Meyer is one of the most prominent and respected business men of Staten Island. This gentleman makes a specialty of Surbrug's fine cigars and tobacco.

JOSEPH KAISER, Successor to John J. Fetherston, Dealer in Mutton, Lamb, Beef and Veal, Poultry and Game in Season. Marketing Delivered Free. No. 154 Jersey Street, New Brighton, S. I.—It is said that the appetites and constitutions of the people of this seashore section are especially good and perhaps this is due not only to the invigorating breezes but also to the high character and ability of those who supply the food materials of the community. Certainly a house which has long enjoyed a high reputation in this line, is that now conducted by Joseph Kaiser at 154 Jersey Street. The business was first established by Mr. Jno. J. Fetherston in 1867, and during the past year has been transferred to its present efficient management. An extensive retail trade is handled here, requiring the employment of two skilled assistants. The neatly arranged store (30x50 in dimensions) contains a large and attractive stock of fresh lamb, mutton, beef, veal, and also poultry and game in season. All orders filled

by this house are guaranteed to be of the best quality and in perfect condition. Customers are served with great promptness and courtesy, and the prices charged are always reasonable. The facilities enjoyed by this house in making connections with large wholesalers, and also the modern improvements by which they keep goods in best condition, enables them to offer their patrons special advantages and rates. We commend our readers to a careful examination of the merits of this establishment. Mr. Kaiser is a native of N. Y. City, and his business advance has been marked by a high standard of commercial honor and ability.

C. J. DRISCOLL, Wholesale and Retail Dealer in Grain, Feed, Meal, Hay, Straw, Cut Hay, Etc., 60 and 62 Jersey Street, New Brighton, S. I.—An old establishment which has gained a wide reputation for honorable dealings and superior goods, through this section, is that conducted by Mr. C. J. Driscoll, 60 and 62 Jersey Street. It was established by Mr. Driscoll, in 1864, and through all the past twenty-eight years has been carried forward by him without interruption. An extensive trade, both wholesale and retail, has been built up in all lines of Grain, Feed, Meal, Straw, Hay and allied materials. Handling a very large stock, Mr. Driscoll is enabled to quote his customers most advantageous prices, and all the materials sold by this house are guaranteed first-class. An extensive property (100x100 feet in dimension) is taken up in storing the stock and transacting the commissions of this house. A specialty is made also of selling stock by the carload, so that the extent even of the store-premises give small idea of the large amount of trade handled. All those posted on the condition of the market, and needing materials in this line, need not be reminded of the advantage of purchasing from such a large and reliable house, nor need we call attention to the familiar fact that all commissions and orders entrusted to this house will be attended to with promptitude and scrupulous care. Mr. Driscoll is a native of New Brighton, and one of our oldest and most substantial merchants.

THOMAS HOWARTH, Practical Plumber, Gas and Steam Fitter, (Near the Landing) New Brighton, S. I. Ranges, Heaters, Leaders, Etc., Put Up and Repaired. Licensed by the Staten Island Water Supply Company to make Connections with its Mains. Sanitary Plumbing a Specialty, Jobbing Promptly Attended to.—In a settled community enjoying the various safe-guards and conveniences of modern life, a first-class plumbing establishment must always be a prime necessity. The importance of work of this character is not always appreciated but those aware of the great danger which will follow careless plumbing, will only employ the services of a competent and thoroughly reliable house. One of the oldest and best in this line through this section, is the establishment conducted by Mr. Thomas Howarth, of this place. His business was established in 1854, and for thirty-eight years has been held in the highest esteem for its thorough and finished work. Three skilled assistants are now employed, and the house is prepared to undertake the most extensive work of all kinds in plumbing, and steam and gas fitting. Ranges, heaters, leaders etc., are put up and repaired. This house is licensed by the Staten Island Water Company to make connections with its mains, and in every branch of sanitary plumbing its work will be found to be of the highest character. Mr. Howarth gives personal inspection to all contracts undertaken, will cheerfully render estimates at any time, and our readers may feel perfect confidence in placing work of this character under his charge. Terms are reasonable and all orders including jobbing, receive prompt attention. Mr. Howarth is a native of England, an ex-schoolmaster, and among our most substantial and respected business men.

C. BARDES, Empire Market, Richmond Terrace, New Brighton, Dealer in Prime Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Poultry, etc., etc. Game and Vegetables in their Season. Shipping Supplied. Orders Promptly Attended to.—One of our old and reliable house in the line of meats and provisions is that conducted by Mr. C. Bardes, familiarly known as the Empire Market, at the above address. This business was established by the present proprietor in 1874, and successfully carried by him during the eighteen years since. Mr. Bardes has established a wide reputation for supplying the best meats and provisions at the lowest rates and on short notice. The stock displayed at his attractively arranged store (25x35 ft. in dimensions) is an unusually large and select one. It contains all the best style and cuts of prime beef, mutton, veal, poultry, pork, etc., etc. He always keeps the finest rare game on hand in season, and also a good stock of fresh vegetables and country produce. He guarantees that all goods delivered shall be in prime condition, and all of our readers making use of the advantages offered by this reliable house are assured prompt, courteous and satisfactory service. Three competent clerks are employed in managing the extensive retail business of the house. A specialty has been made of supplying ships and yachts, and the largest stock carried and frequently renewed affords special facilities for handling large orders. Mr. Bardes is a native of Staten Island and one of our utmost progress and honored merchants.

DESCRIPTIVE SKETCH OF WEST NEW BRIGHTON.



RICHMOND TERRACE, NEAR TAYLOR STREET, WEST NEW BRIGHTON.



THAT section of the village of New Brighton, occupying the southerly half of Castleton township, is one of the oldest settlements on the North Shore of Staten Island, and from a business point of view, one of the most important. Although within the corporate limits of the above named village, it enjoys a distinct individuality of its own, and as West New Brighton, or, according to common usage, West Brighton, it is widely known as the home of several important industries, and of many people of note in the world at large. That, however, is but one of the many things contributing to the prosperity and prominence of the place. Its unusual advantages as a place of residence has been long recognized, and, as a result, the village is thickly built up and contains fully one half of the entire population of New Brighton. While this population is largely made up of that substantial and desirable class of wage workers of the higher order, there are many elegant residences, occupied by people prominent in the world of business, of letters, and the various arts, not a few of whom have a national reputation. The village has been well laid out, the streets being wide, well graded and substantially paved, while they are brilliantly lighted at night, with arc and incandescent electric lamps, placed at frequent intervals. Evidence of the antiquity of West Brighton is found in the frequency with which family names, identified with the early history of Staten Island, are encountered among the citizens of the present day. Among these are the Barnes', Benedicts, Bodines, Blakes, Burgers, Brittons, Burbanks, Coles, Disosways, Egberts, Hillyers, Housmans, Martlings, Perine, Tysons, Winants, and many others.

Along the shore road or the Richmond Terrace, between Sailors' Snug Harbor, and the line separating the village from Port Richmond, are many handsome private residences, surrounded by beautifully grounds, shaded by grand old elms and other large trees, presenting a pretty picture from the water and the opposite shores of the Kill von Kull. The shore road is a magnificent drive, overshadowed by spreading elm trees, that are the pride of the residents, and which are protected and cared for by a society which was formed some years since for the purpose of preserving and improving the adornments, such as trees, grass and so forth, on the public highways, as a result, no finer trees or more beautiful streets are to be found anywhere in the State. The old Manor road leading from a cen-

tral point in the village, and connecting with other roads giving access to Richmond, the county seat, is for a part of its length lined with estates handed down through many generations. Some of these are very extensive, and have more the appearance of parks than of private property. The residences surrounded by these vast grounds, are, in many instances, fine old mansions, that have stood the test of time for nearly a century. Others are more modern structures of tasteful design. Some of these estates have in recent years been cut up into building plots, upon which have been erected handsome villas, the homes of cultured, well-to-do people. This is a particularly desirable resident portion of the village, because of its unusually healthful situation. The ground is high, and from many points magnificent views are obtained, including glimpses of New York Bay and the hills of New Jersey. In this section of the village have lived many men and women whose names and deeds are a part of history, and here still dwell people who hold a prominent place in the world to-day. There are other equally beautiful, though perhaps less notable localities in West Brighton. In fact the village abounds in exceedingly desirable home-sights. The conformation of the ground in all parts of the village is such, in connection with the large number of brooks and small streams, as to insure perfect drainage of the soil, removing all possibility of malarial diseases. The ground gradually slopes upward from the water until the chain of hills passing through the centre of the island is reached, and in these hills are glens and nooks that are unsurpassed in beauty and picturesqueness. Near by is a famous locality known variously as Toad Hill and Todt Hill. The origin of the name is obscure, tradition in one instance stating that it was derived from the fact of the abundance of toads in the vicinity, though this is not borne out by present conditions, since toads are no more numerous here, now, than in any other place on the island. Another explanation of the name, and this applies to the German word, "Todt," is that during one of the Indian massacres in the seventeenth century, many of the inhabitants were killed here, and hence the name "hill of the dead." In the old records it is referred to only as "iron hill" because of the abundance of iron ore found here. These deposits of iron were known to the early Dutch settlers, who made practical use of their knowledge, by working the mines. Beside iron ore a number of other minerals are found, though they do not possess as great a value as the iron. From the summit of the hill a grand view is obtained, including the Lower Bay and Coney Island, and as far to the south as the Highlands of the Navesink.

Returning to the village proper, we find evidences of prosperity in the fine stores which line the principal business streets, and of the thrift and refinement of the people, in the homelike houses, surrounded by neat and attractive grounds, to be found on all sides. Through the center of the village runs a horse car line, which furnishes means of communication between the shore and Castleton Corners, the highest and most southerly point in the village. This road is soon to be operated by electricity, and with more frequent car service than is now possible will do much toward helping to build up the out lying districts. The road also connects with the Staten Island Rapid Transit Railroad, on which frequent trains to and from St. George affords quick and convenient transportation to New York, in which city many of the residents of West Brighton are engaged in business, and in various occupations.

Among the other advantages this villages possesses, and which is a special inducement to those who seek a home here, is the excellent and abundant water supply, furnished by the Staten Island Water Company. It is drawn from driven wells and is of exceptional purity and clearness. The service was inaugurated in 1881, and, since that time, mains have been laid in all the streets of the village, and connections made with most of the houses. The sewerage system in use in West Brighton, approaches perfection as nearly as possible, and is being rapidly extended to all parts of the town, the more thickly settled portions having enjoyed the possession of this indispensable adjunct of modern civilization for several years. The fire department, which forms part of the system extending along the whole of the North Shore, is unusually well equipped with apparatus, and consists of the best element in the male portion of the community. The perfect discipline, and prompt recognition of the authority and responsibility of its officers, insures a high degree of proficiency. The department has on many occasions been tested by most difficult fires, but has never been found wanting, and it is a proud record that no serious conflagration has ever occurred in the village, although dangerous fires in thickly settled districts have tried its skill on more than one occasion. The North Shore Station of the excellent Staten Island Police force, is located in West Brighton, and the village is patrolled by officers, from this station, in sufficient numbers to insure perfect order among the very few who might be disposed to transgress the law. In fact, a condition largely in its favor, is the quietness, and freedom from annoyances of petty offenders, which at all times prevails in West Brighton.

There are many churches in West Brighton, some of them being numbered among first places of public worship established on Staten Island. The Protestant Episcopal Church is represented by two societies, the older of which, the Church of the Ascension, was established in 1802, as a chapel connected with St. Andrew's of Richmond. It was known as Trinity chapel, and was located on a plot of ground donated by John McVickar. Services were conducted in the chapel by clergymen, temporarily employed, until 1869, when the parish was organized and the name of the Church of the Ascension adopted. The rapid increase in the number of those who wished to worship in the old frame building, which served as the first home of the society, soon rendered it inadequate to the demands made upon it, and in the first year after the incorporation of the society steps were taken to build a new church. The corner stone was laid in 1870 and the structure was completed, in time for services to be held in it, on Ascension day, May 16th, 1871. The edifice is handsome and substantial, being built of native granite, in the shape of a crusiform, with a turret on the northeast end, and a tower and tall spire on the northwest corner. St. Mary's Church, which stands in another

portion of the village, was built at a comparatively recent date to accommodate those Episcopalians who reside at an inconvenient distance from the Church of the Ascension. It has a growing congregation, and may be numbered among the most prosperous church societies in West Brighton.

The Methodist Episcopal denomination, which as early as 1771, began to hold services and establish churches on Staten Island, found a domicile in West Brighton in 1853, the congregation having emigrated from Pond Road, Port Richmond, where it had been established in 1839. The change of location was due to the fact that upon the division of the Quarantine and Port Richmond circuit, most of the worshippers in the Pond Road Church, were obliged to come from West Brighton. They erected a commodious brick building on the Shore Road, corner of Dongan Street,



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selling the Port Richmond church building to the German Evangelical Lutherans, for \$1,500. The society was incorporated in January, 1853, under the name of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church of West New Brighton. The society is a prosperous and growing one, notwithstanding the withdrawal of a number of members in 1867 to establish Grace Church in Port Richmond.

The Roman Catholic Church first found a home on Staten Island, when in April, 1839, a number of people of that faith, who had been meeting in a small room in the "Gun Factory," for some time prior to that date, built a church in New Brighton. The rapid growth of that section of the island necessitated the establishment of another place of worship in the village, and in 1864, St. Rose of Lima's, was built on Castleoff Avenue, at the corner of Roe Street, West Brighton. A plot of ground, seventy-five feet by one hundred and fifty feet, was purchased for \$900, and here a modest brick structure was put up. It was dedicated on December 4th, 1864, by the celebration of high mass and the performance of a service of classical music, in which the members of the choir of St. Peters, New York, were assisted by artists connected with the Italian Opera Company, from that city. The rapid growth of the church may be inferred from the fact that on May 22d, 1881, two hundred and twenty eight persons of both sexes, were confirmed here by Archbishop Corrigan. In connection with the Church is an excellent parochial school and the St. Rose of Lima society which has done, and is still doing much good work on Staten Island.

Calvary Presbyterian Church was organized in November, 1872, with thirty-five members, many of whom had previously worshipped with the Dutch Reformed congregation at Port Richmond. It was established as a chapel by the Brooklyn Presbytery, and services were held in a building which had been erected, at the corner of Castleton and Bernent Avenues, for a Sunday school, out of which the church grew in reality. The church increased steadily, under the ministration of zealous pastors, and in 1874, the congregation had become so large, that additions to the

chapel, making it double its original size, had to be made. The building was beautifully decorated and furnished, and enough seats were added to accommodate nearly five hundred people. The society has continued to grow and the regular communicants to-day number about three hundred. The Sunday school is in a particularly flourishing state, being one of the largest in Richmond county.

The Moravian, or United Brethren, was one of the first christian denominations to institute public worship on Staten Island. As early as 1742, David Bruce, a missionary from London or Amsterdam, conducted services. Since then churches and chapels have been located in various parts of the Island, one of the latter being at Castleton Corners, West Brighton, and is the only church of any denomination in this part of the village. Consequently, it is well at-



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tended, the growing population of Castleton Corners and the surrounding country, furnishing a constantly increasing number of worshippers.

The public schools in West Brighton, as in all the other villages at the northern end of Staten Island, are noted for the systematic and thorough course of instruction extended to the children of the village. The establishment of these institutions dates back to the very beginning of the public school system in New York State, but the methods employed have been improved to such an extent that the schools of West Brighton will bear the closest comparison with other institutions of the kind, in any part of a country celebrated for the perfection of its public school system. In 1891, the old school house in the lower part of the village, having become too small to accommodate, properly, the 800 pupils, who make up the average attendance, a new building was erected, in a more central location, on Broadway near Castleton Avenue. It is a substantial brick structure three stories high, about one hundred feet deep by about 75 feet in width, and certainly large enough, even in this growing place, to meet all possible requirements for many years to come. The building is surmounted by a tower, in which is a large clock. This school is known as the second district of Castleton. The third district is at Castleton Corners. Formerly the school was held in a small wooden building, where many of the present residents of this part of the town received their early education. In 1889, a fine new school house was built on ground adjoining the site of the old building, which is still standing, but is unused. The present school is a commodious edifice, constructed of wood on a brick foundation. It was built with a due regard to the sanitary requirements of such a building, and light, ventilation and heating arrangements are as perfect as modern skill can make them. There are at present about two hundred pupils in attendance, but there are accommodations for as many more, and judging by the steady growth of this part of West Brighton, they will be needed before many years. There are several private schools in the village, all of them being of a high

order and affording the best opportunities for obtaining a substantial education. St. Austin's school for boys was established in 1883, through the efforts of the rector of the Protestant Episcopal parish at this place. The school stands on Bard Avenue, on property formerly belonging to the late W. T. Garner, and includes numerous class rooms and a fully equipped laboratory. Since its establishment the school has met with steadily increasing success, and to-day is second to no other institution of the character in this country.

The social and benevolent orders are well represented in West Brighton, there being numerous lodges of the older organizations and all of those dating from a later period, having representatives here. There are a number of athletic and rowing associations of which the most conspicuous examples are the Staten Island Athletic Club, the



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Staten Island Rowing Club and the Staten Island Cricket and Baseball Club. All of these pleasure associations have handsome club houses, and extensive grounds, either in West Brighton or the neighboring village of New Brighton. Each has a large membership, divided about equally between the two places.

An important industry, with which the name of Staten Island has been long and prominently identified, is that of dyeing, and West Brighton owes not a little of its importance to the location here of two of the largest and most prominent works of the kind in the United States. The first of these was established in West Brighton when the present century was only nineteen years old. The locality became known as Factoryville and bore that name until a comparatively recent date. The prosperity of the concern seems to have been assured from the start, and the locality in which it was established grew and prospered with it. In 1850, one of the gentlemen who had been connected with the original house, desiring to carry out certain ideas of improvements in the methods of dyeing and printing, withdrew from the concern and established a new firm, which met immediately with the most flattering success, and became in a few years a powerful rival of the parent house. The younger plant covers about eight acres of ground in Cherry Lane, and is fitted with the latest and most improved machinery. An immense business is done and the concern has a wide-spread reputation. The factory has its own water supply which is practically inexhaustible, being obtained from springs on the old Post farm, which adjoins the works and which was purchased by the company in 1867. The establishment gives employment to over three hundred persons, and it does business with nearly every State in the Union.

Meanwhile, the older concern, from which the above was an offshoot, has been prospering. The works are situated near the lower end of Broadway and cover a wide extent of territory. The size of the establishment, and the extent of its business, may be gauged somewhat by the fact that it employs over five hundred hands, has about a dozen steam engines in constant motion, and has a vast amount of other valuable machinery. The company has many offices and about one thousand agencies scattered among the principal cities of the United States.

Staten Island is celebrated for the number of her breweries and the excellence of their product. Most of them are located on the east side of the Island, but one of large production and of reputation as wide reaching as that of any similar business in the vicinity of New York, is situated at Castleton Corners in the village of West Brighton. It dates from 1852, but came under the present management as late as 1875, since which time it has been greatly enlarged, and the quality of the beer made vastly improved. It has a very large producing capacity and supplies hundreds of retailers in New York and Brooklyn and elsewhere. The proprietor of this establishment is a progressive, public spirited man, and to his efforts are due many of the improvements and advantages which Castleton Corners enjoys. He is of a most benevolent disposition and has contributed large sums to public and private charities.



CASTLETON AVENUE.

In 1835 the manufacture of rubber cloth was begun in West Brighton by the company of which several of the members of firms already mentioned were stockholders and directors. There was no lack of capital or enterprise, and the company started out with the most flattering chances of success. These, however, were realized but for a few years, and the works were finally abandoned. They are now used by a firm of manufacturers of wall paper, which has for a number of years carried on that business here on a most profitable basis and with every promise of continued success.

There are several other important industries centered here, West Brighton offering unusual advantages of location to manufacturers. The transportation facilities both on land and water, are unsurpassed, the Kill von Kull affording a ready and cheap means of communication with New York and adjacent cities, while the Rapid Transit Railroad, through its connections with the B. & O. furnishes prompt and convenient shipping facilities to those who desire to use this means of transporting goods.

West Brighton supports several weekly newspapers which are in keeping with the brightness and progressiveness of the people. They are well-edited, newsy and enterprising, and have a large circulation in the various towns on the Island, since they do not confine their attention solely to local affairs.

There are two Post Offices in West Brighton, one of which is at Castleton Corners. There are several mails a day and within the past year the free delivery system has been inaugurated to the great satisfaction and convenience of the residents and business men of the place. The Richmond County Savings Bank located here is a solid institution with a long list of depositors, ample capital and a large surplus.

REPRESENTATIVE BUSINESS MEN OF WEST NEW BRIGHTON.

BENEDICT PARKER, Real Estate, Dealer in Fancy and Staple Groceries and Provisions, Castleton Avenue and Richmond Street, West New Brighton, Staten Island.—The material development of this section in the immediate past, has brought about an appreciable rise in real estate values, and among progressive merchants who have contributed largely to this movement we cite the example of the business conducted by Mr. Benedict Parker of this place. The select and eligible position of this property managed by him on Castleton Hill, together with judicious and conservative management has proven a marked and steady success. There are 150 lots in this property, averaigng 25x125 ft. and 25x150 ft. which are sold on partial payment, by the installment plan, the price being very low, considering the steady rise of this property and affording a most attractive investment to the advantages of which we direct the attention of all our readers. Prices range from \$250.00 to \$350.00, the property being all located on Broadway, Myrtle and Forest Avenues, all high ground with natural drainage, and in the midst of a steadily growing section. Mr. Parker is one of West Brighton's oldest and best known merchants. His large retail grocery trade was established twenty one years ago, and under progressive management has made steady progress from the start. At his modern and thoroughly fitted up store on Castleton Avenue, which is 25x50 ft. in dimensions, will be found a most complete and valuable stock of fine and staple groceries and provisions. Mr. Parker employs six experienced clerks, and caters to the finest class of trade with thorough satisfaction and dispatch. His prices are the lowest commensurate with the best quality and completely reliable service, the unexcelled reputation of the same rendering an extended description of its merits unnecessary.

THOS. J. BIRMINGHAM, Central Livery Stables, Broadway and Castleton Avenues, Telephone, No. 24a, West New Brighton, S. I. Horses, Coaches and Buggies to Let at All Hours.—The livery stable business is one deserving of special consideration in a section where fine driving is easily obtained and the natural scenery is marked by beauty and picturesque variety, as is the case throughout Staten Island. The Central Livery Stables of Mr. Thos. J. Birmingham, of this place, have long held a deservedly high reputation for supplying the best class of service in this line. They were first opened by Mr. Birmingham, nine years ago, and have been under his progressive management from the start. These spacious and thoroughly fitted up stables (50x75 ft. in dimensions) contain all the best conveniences and modern improvements in this line. The horses of this stable are well known for their thorough breeding and the fine condition in which they are maintained. The line of coaches, carriages and buggies are unsurpassed for elegance and easy driving. Two experienced assistants are employed and Mr. Birmingham is prepared to furnish the most courteous and satisfactory service at all hours. The prices will be found most reasonable and uniform. A specialty is made of the livery business, but boarding horses are also provided for in the most thorough style and at moderate charges. Mr. Birmingham is a native of Staten Island, and one of our most respected and progressive business men. All our readers will be profited by an examination of the advantages offered by this reliable establishment.

F. KLEMCKE, Pharmacist, Castleton Avenue, West Brighton, S. I.—The advantages of a first-class pharmacy can not be overestimated, and all realizing the dangers of mistake in entrusting important prescriptions to unskilled hands, will exercise discretion in this line, by placing their orders only with the most reliable and thoroughly competent dealers. Such an establishment is that conducted by Mr. F. Klemcke, of this place. It was first opened in 1887, six years ago, and its widening patronage in succeeding years has shown that it has met all demands upon it with thoroughness and satisfaction. At its neatly-kept and attractive store (in dimensions 25x50 ft.) will be found a complete line of drugs in the finest condition and at very moderate prices. One thoroughly skilled and licensed clerk is employed, and prescriptions are filled with the most scrupulous care and intelligent skill, this work receiving the endorsement of some of our first physicians. Our readers may entrust all matters of this kind to Mr. Klemcke with the assurance that the utmost satisfaction will be given. A large and interesting stock of fancy goods is kept on hand as well as some special preparations of great value such as Klemcke's Expectorant for coughs and colds. Mr. Klemcke is a native of Germany, and in every department of his responsible business has displayed the qualities of a successful and honorable merchant. This gentlemen makes a specialty of allowing a discount of 10 per cent. on all articles purchased for cash.

M. A. BAMBER, Bee Hive, West New Brighton, S. I., Dry and Fancy Goods, Notions, etc.—An old established house which has long been a leader in its special line of trade, is the dry and fancy goods establishment of Mrs. M. A. Bamber, well known as the "Bee Hive." It has been conducted for a quarter of a century by Mrs. Bamber, having been established by her in 1867, and has built up an enviable reputation for its fine stock and honorable dealings. Three experienced clerks are employed in conducting the large retail business, and others are employed in special lines. At the tastefully fitted up store premises which are 30x50 ft. in dimensions, is always kept on hand a complete line of the best dry and fancy goods. In addition, millinery, ladies' and gents' furnishings done at short notice. Among other specialties are a full line of corsets, including Warner's, Thomson's Glove-fitting and Tricora. This house is also special agent for the Imperial Draped and Pinned Designs. Thus taking into account all the lines of trade competently managed here, it will be evident to our readers that the name of "Bee Hive" is thoroughly deserved. We can assure them that each and all will find much to interest and profit at their reliable store. Mrs. Bamber is a native of England, and has carried forward this establishment to thorough success, by progressive and honorable business principles.

HILLYER & EGBERT, Dealers in First-Class Groceries, Flour, Feed, etc. Finest Butter, Teas and Coffees. West New Brighton, near Port Richmond, S. I.—While other trades have their honorable place and importance, there is not one we could so little spare as that concerned in the sale of groceries, the common necessities of life. A house which has long been a leader in its department throughout this section, is that conducted by Messrs. Hillyer and Egbert, dealers in first-class groceries, of this place. The business was established by its present management in 1878, and has steadily built up a wide and select retail and wholesale trade, now employing six experienced men. It has always been the plan of this house to furnish goods of superior excellence at lowest city prices. Their large stock is set off to good advantage in the neatly kept store premises, which are 30x60 ft. in size. The best modern facilities are enjoyed for maintaining all goods in prime condition, and the rapid conversion of their stock also assures a constantly renewed supply. Their special line of fine butter and dairy products, as well as their imported teas, coffee and sugars, merit particular attention. Mr. Hillyer is a native of N. Y. City, while Mr. Egbert is a native of Staten Island. Both hold recognized positions among its most esteemed and reliable business men.

JOHN SHERWOOD, Practical Horse Shoeing, Foot of Broadway, West New Brighton, Staten Island.—An old and honorable craft is the one connected with blacksmith work and horse shoeing, for these have held an important place ever since men first began to enjoy the conveniences of civilized life. Among establishments which have long conducted a first-class trade in this line here, we cite that of Mr. John Sherwood. His business was established in 1877, and his reputation and trade have grown steadily since. Long experience in every branch of horse shoeing has made him a thorough expert and with the assistance of two competent employees he handles all kinds of work in this department with thoroughness and dispatch. Horses are shod on the most approved and scientific principles for saddle, coaching or draft purposes. Fast roadsters shod with especial care and success. All styles of shoes are made to order and the materials used at this establishment are always first-class. Mr. Sherwood gives constant oversight to all work, and guarantees satisfaction. His neatly kept shop is 25x35 ft. in dimensions and contains every convenience for keeping horses carefully, and for the most thorough workmanship. Mr. Sherwood is a native Staten Islander, and the fine quality of his work has given him an honored and esteemed position among our solid business men. We can commend the first-class work and reasonable terms of this establishment to the careful consideration of all our readers.

HENRY DOELL, Successor to Frank Maurer, Oriental Bakery, 32 and 34 Castleton Ave., Corner of Roe St., West New Brighton, S. I. Vienna and Home Made Bread a Speciality, Fancy Cake and Confectionery.—This established business enjoys a wide reputation for successful trade and the production of the highest class of goods. It was established by Mr. Maurer in 1886, who was succeeded by Mr. Doell recently, and has kept in the van of competition for the best trade of this section ever since. Mr. Doell employs five experienced assistants and enjoys the most modern and complete facilities for producing fine baker's goods. A specialty is made of Vienna and home-made breads and both in plain and fancy lines; the quality, wholesomeness and thorough excellence of his goods will be found unexcelled. He makes a specialty also of catering with great skill and success to large gatherings and assemblies. His stock of fancy cake and confectionery will be found very complete and artistic in every particular. His attractively fitted store premises are 30x55 ft. in dimensions, and it is but justice to say that his outfit and facilities for production are equal to those of leading metropolitan houses. His attention to the prompt and careful delivery of all goods ordered is one of the features of this progressive house, and we can guarantee our readers that commissions and regular business entrusted to his care will be most thoroughly and efficiently served. Mr. Doell is a native of Germany, and by strict attention and honorable dealings has built up one of the leading business houses of this section. This gentleman has had long experience as a practical baker in New York.

W. J. GRIMSHAW, Wholesale and Retail Confectioner, The Trade, Festival's, Pic-Nics and Excursions Supplied at Short Notice, Castleton Avenue, West New Brighton, S. I.—Among the oldest and best known houses in its line through this vicinity, may be cited the confectionery establishment of Mr. W. J. Grimshaw. He first began this business here in 1876 and for seventeen years it has enjoyed a constantly spreading patronage and reputation. His extensive retail trade now requires the assistance of three experienced clerks, and all orders both large and small are filled with promptness and extreme care. A wholesale trade is also conducted with the surrounding section, and the name of this house always stands for a superior quality of work and material. Mr. Grimshaw makes a specialty of catering to large gatherings and special parties, his facilities for supplying this kind of demand being especially good. He is the proprietor of several specialties in this line, including "Grimshaw's Licorice Cough Drops," which are widely and favorably known. Since there are so many cheap and adulterated candies on the market, it is of great value and importance to obtain these goods only from a reliable establishment whose name is a solid guarantee for the best materials and careful manufacture. Our readers can be assured, and who is not interested in knowing where to purchase candies, both wholesome and delicious, at most reasonable figures, that all trade relations with this old established confectionery house will be thoroughly satisfactory. Mr. Grimshaw is a native of New Jersey, and is one of our most progressive and esteemed business men.

MISS M. KRESS, Millinery and Dry Goods, 87 Castleton Avenue, West New Brighton, S. I.—There is no question but that the American woman possesses a fine æsthetic taste in the matter of millinery and dry-goods, as the many special styles and bargains gotten up for her benefit go to show conclusively. Artistic work and attractive goods are sure to command a wide sale, and among our most popular and reliable houses in this line, we may cite that of Miss M. Kress, 87 Castleton Avenue. This establishment was first begun in 1883, and has progressed steadily since. A fine and select retail trade is conducted, and the neatly fitted store premises (20x35 ft. in size) contains a beautiful display of millinery and fancy dry goods. Some of the styles and patterns are unique, and this large and varied stock will be found altogether attractive. Orders for special work are always carefully carried out and promptly delivered. All the latest styles and modes are faithfully embodied, and the most critical examination can only find words of praise for the thoroughly artistic workmanship executed here. Miss Kress' terms will always be found reasonable and patrons served with great care and every courtesy. We can recommend our readers to the services of this well-known and established house, assured that they will find them uniformly agreeable and satisfactory. Miss Kress is a native of Staten Island, and one of its most progressive business women.

JAS. J. MORRISON, Practical Horse Shoer. Shoeing of Road, Trotting, and Saddle Horses a Specialty. Particular Attention paid to Interfering Horses, Shop, 52 Burgher Avenue, West Brighton, S. I.—Among the oldest of industrial pursuits is that connected with horse shoeing and blacksmithing, which can be traced back to the earliest days of civilization. In our time, with city streets and the much greater use of iron than ever in the past, the importance of this great industry is even greater than before. A horse shoeing establishment which has long enjoyed the confidence and esteem of the best class of patronage in this vicinity, is the one conducted by Mr. Jas. Morrison, at 52 Burgher Avenue. This business was established by Mr. Morrison, fifteen years ago, and he has carried it forward with steady purpose and enterprise. Having had long and most thorough experience, he is able to perform the most delicate and important work with skill and dispatch. The shoeing of road, trotting and saddle horses is made a specialty and particular attention also is given to interfering horses. Horses are called for and delivered with care, and all work executed by this reliable establishment is guaranteed satisfactory in every respect. Prices and terms are low as the lowest current, and we can assure our readers that they will be gratified by the service rendered them here. The neatly kept shop (25x40 ft. in dimensions), contains every convenience in this line and one experienced assistant is employed. Mr. Morrison is a native of Staten Island, and stands among our substantial and esteemed business men.

D. J. ROACH, Dealer in Staple and Fancy Groceries, a Large Stock of First-Class Groceries and Provisions Constantly on Hand, Goods Delivered to any Part of the Island Free of Charge. Cor. Broadway and Henderson Avenue, West New Brighton, S. I.—The advancement of trade is commensurate with that of civilization, to which indeed it contributes no small part, and no branch of our mercantile interests have shown more marked evidence of the push and progress of our American spirit, than that dealing in the necessities of life. A grocery establishment which has long held a place in the confidence and esteem of this locality is that conducted by Mr. D. J. Roach of this place. This business was established by Mr. Roach in 1880, and by the application of progressive methods and honorable dealings has kept steadily at the front in its line ever since. A large and select retail trade has been built up, and this house has the reputation of serving its customers in the most thorough and satisfactory manner. At the neatly fitted up store (25x40 ft. in size) a large stock of first-class groceries and provisions are kept constantly on hand. Two experienced clerks are employed and all orders filled with great care and dispatch. The prices charged are always the lowest for thoroughly first-class goods, which it is needless to add, is guaranteed by this reliable house. Mr. Roach is a native of Staten Island and one of our substantial and honored merchants. He is trustee of the Public Schools for this district. The honorable position occupied by this business house is a conclusive assurance to our readers that all trade relations with it will be most satisfactory.

M. E. SMITH, Dealer in Boots and Shoes of All Kinds. Richmond Terrace, West New Brighton, S. I.—The evolution from ancient saddles to our modern boots and shoes is one which the exigencies of our climate and civilization have naturally brought about. All quarters of the globe are now laid under requisition to supply materials for footwear, and a first-class store represents the best results of art and science in producing an article at once elegant and conforming to all the laws of health. Such an establishment is that conducted by Mrs. M. E. Smith of this place. First started by the firm of Jones & Smith in 1883, it was transferred to its present management in the following year, and has been under Mrs. Smith's sole charge since. Four experienced clerks are employed, and a valuable retail trade conducted. The neatly arranged and attractive store premises (25x35 ft. in dimensions) contain a large and handsome display of fine boots and shoes. The prices are moderate, and the guarantee of the house carries assurance of a first-class article. Mrs. Smith represents several of the leading manufacturers of the country, and is prepared to furnish at the lowest current price, the very best results in the way of footwear for ladies, gentlemen and children. A good stock of rubbers and overshoes are also kept on hand. Mrs. Smith is a native of England, and one of our most highly esteemed and progressive merchants.

JOHN WALL, Plumber, Richmond Terrace, West New Brighton, N. Y.—The plumbing business is one deserving of special mention in our review of the industries of this section. There is no branch whose services are more universally needed or more essential to the health and well-being of the community. An establishment ranking among the most reliable and progressive in this line is that conducted by Mr. John Wall, of this place. It was established by Mr. Wall in 1891, and has rapidly made its way to the front on account of the great care and thorough satisfaction given in all departments of its work. Two thoroughly competent assistants are employed and Mr. Wall gives careful oversight himself to all contracts. Estimates are carefully rendered, and our readers will find it to their advantage to examine the special facilities and prices offered by this establishment. Every branch of sanitary and household plumbing, steam and gas-fitting, tin and sheet-iron working, as well as jobbing work can be most promptly and thoroughly executed by this house. At the well-kept store premises (25x35 ft. in size) will be found a complete line of all goods needed in this department. Mr. Wall is a native of Staten Island.

ARTHUR HILLYER, Successor to Vanderzee & Hillyer, Fine Tailoring, 185 Richmond Terrace, West New Brighton, S. I. 3 Doors above P. O. Suitings, Uniforms, Liveries, Habits, etc., to measure.—There never was a time when tasteful, refined and thoroughly made custom clothing was more in demand among all classes of cultivated people. Individual tastes and shapes can never be entirely met except by thorough custom work, and those for whom the best is the only standard, exercise great care in obtaining these goods. A fine tailoring establishment, fitted to execute the most finished and stylish work, is the recently organized house of Mr. Hillyer, successor to Vanderzee & Hillyer, at 185 Richmond Terrace. This enterprising concern has already built up an extensive patronage, and its special advantages merit the attention of all our readers. At its tastefully fitted store (25x40 ft. in dimensions) will be found a large and valuable display of tailors' patterns, including the best imported and domestic goods of the season's styles and makes. Among specialties thoroughly made are fine suitings, uniforms, liveries, and habits, and both the workmanship and high quality of goods is guaranteed. Our readers need not hesitate in entrusting the most important matters in this line to the satisfactory charge of this house. Terms and prices will be found especially attractive, and prompt delivery is a point given marked attention. This gentleman is a native of Staten Island and has won recognition as a progressive, reliable business man. Our readers will profit by an examination of advantages offered here.

NORTH SHORE PHARMACY, Established 1874. James Kerr, Pharmacist, Proprietor of Johnson's Happy Pills, West New Brighton, S. I.—Among the older and most popular business establishments in its line is the "North Shore Pharmacy" conducted by Mr. James Kerr of this place. This business was established by Mr. Kerr in 1874 and it has been under his sole management from the first. By exercise of the greatest care in all the important details of this business, employing only the most thoroughly trained assistants and also using the purest materials, Mr. Kerr has built up a reputation and trade through this section of the very highest character. In the prescription department, the accuracy and thoroughness which have always been shown, insure patrons of the surest and most satisfactory service. Several of the first physicians especially commend and use the advantages in this line, and prescriptions are filled with equal and great care at any hour. At the handsomely fitted up store premises, which are 25x50 ft. in dimensions, are kept in stock a complete line of first-class drugs of every kind. Their purity and strength are guaranteed. A large variety of special preparations are also carried, of some of which Mr. Kerr is the special proprietor, including "Johnson's Happy Pills." Two experienced clerks are employed and thorough courtesy and attention shown all customers. The prices of this house are very moderate, and in no respect does it suffer in comparison with the best city stores. Mr. Kerr is a native of N. Y. and one of our most esteemed citizens and business men. He is an Ex-foreman of the Hook and Ladder Company, taking thorough and active interest in all public affairs.



RICHMOND TERRACE, NEAR VAN STREET.

JOHN OCHS, Jr., Dealer in Fine Groceries and Provisions, Paints, Oils and Varnishes, Hardware, Crockery, etc. Castleton Avenue, near Taylor Street, West New Brighton, S. I.—Every new discovery of science adds something to the perfection of the common needs of life, and in our preëminently scientific age no branch of trade has made greater progress than that concerned in supplying these every-day needs. A first class grocery establishment now represents the most carefully prepared products of every clime and country, and since there are so many spacious imitations it is true economy to patronize only the most reliable establishments. Such a house is that conducted by Mr. John Ochs, Jr., the reputation of whose goods, for purity and excellence, as well as for reasonable prices has extended throughout this section. The business has now been conducted by Mr. Ochs for the past three years, and has shown its ability to meet all needs of the community in its particular line most thoroughly and satisfactorily. At the tastefully arranged and attractive store of this house, which is 30x60 ft. in dimensions, will be found constantly on hand a full stock of fine groceries and provisions. All goods are guaranteed in first class condition, and prices are maintained at lowest market figures. Mr. Ochs also carries a valuable line of paints, oils, varnishes, etc., as well as hardware and crockery goods. Two courteous assistants are employed and all patrons are assured of the most prompt and careful service. Mr. Ochs is a native of Staten Island, and ranks among its most progressive and esteemed business men. We commend our readers to the examination of the attractive bargains and service offered by this reliable establishment.

J. L. BEEMAN, Watchmaker and Jeweler, 201 Shore Road, (Opp. C. M. Pine & Son,) West New Brighton, S. I.—The importance of a well regulated and reliable time piece is not subordinate to any other interest, in these days of close connections and hurrying business affairs. A business house which has long supplied the best class of trade in this line, is that conducted by Mr. J. L. Beeman at 201 Shore Road. It was first established by Mr. Beeman in 1880, and by progressive management has made steady progress during succeeding years. The reputation of Mr. Beeman's goods is first class, and all patrons receive prompt and courteous attention. In all matters connected with watch making and repairing, Mr. Beeman employs the result of extended and thorough experience. He carries a line of the best timepieces, in solid gold and silver cases, his terms are reasonable, and in addition those who have valuable watches which they would have most carefully regulated and repaired can entrust the same to his care, with assurance that work will be most thorough and satisfactory. At his tastefully arranged store premises (25x35 ft. in dimensions) will also be found a large and valuable display of fine jewelry goods. Sterling and first-class articles alone are kept, and the purchase of goods here means the greatest acceptability throughout this section. Mr. Beeman is a native of N. Y. and a progressive, honorable business man. We can commend the advantages of his store to the careful consideration of all our readers.

CLARK & MORTON, Plumbers, Gas and Steam Fitters. Tin and Sheet Iron Workers. House Furnishing Goods, Hardware, etc., Stoves, Heaters, Ranges, and Cooking Utensils of every Description. No. 195 Richmond Terrace, West New Brighton, Staten Island.—The exigencies and natural development of modern city life, have created the department of industry known as plumbing, and the extreme delicacy and thoroughness required for the satisfactory completion of most work in this department, makes it imperative with every sensible householder to entrust the same only to the most competent and reliable establishments. Such is the plumbing, steam and gas-fitting business, which has been conducted for many years here by Messrs. Clark & Morton of 195 Richmond Terrace. The firm was organized twenty years ago, and has carried forward its business without interruption since. It employs nine experienced men, and conducts an extensive business both wholesale and retail. In addition to thorough mastery of all lines of sanitary and domestic plumbing, including steam and gas fitting, this house also executes tin and sheet iron work. Besides materials needed in these departments, it stock contains a large variety of house-furnishing goods, hardware, stoves, heaters, ranges and cooking materials of all kinds. The store premises are 25x50 ft. in size, and thoroughly fitted. Estimates for work are carefully rendered at any time, and the prices will be found very moderate in every branch of this trade. All jobbing and repairing work is executed with care and dispatch. Both members of this reliable firm are natives of N. Y. State, and among our oldest and most esteemed merchants.

J. S. STOWELL, Druggist and Pharmacist, 49 Castleton Avenue, West Brighton, S. I.—The related sciences of medicine and pharmacy having made great advances in the last generation, as one has perfected its knowledge of the human system and the other deepened its holds upon the means for alleviating and lessening its disorders. There is now a great deal of suffering and disease entirely unnecessary, and easily averted if one would use care in obtaining the proper remedies at once. A drug and pharmacist establishment which has shown its ability to furnish the most skilled and reliable service in this line, is that conducted by Mr. J. S. Stowell at 49 Castleton Avenue, this place. It was first opened by Mr. Stowell in 1890, and has increased its popularity steadily since. Two thoroughly trained and licensed assistants are employed, and the greatest care is shown in every department of this trade. The prescription business of this house receives the special endorsement of several of our best physicians, and all needs of this character are guaranteed thorough satisfaction. A large and valuable stock of first class drugs, as well as special preparations are kept on hand, at the tastefully arranged store premises, which are 25x35 ft. in dimensions. An attractive and interesting stock of fancy toilet and similar goods also adds to the artistic character of the stock. Mr. Stowell is a native of N. Y. City and holds a well earned position among our reliable and progressive business men.

CHAS. SCHNEIDER, Dealer in Groceries and Provisions, Richmond Terrace, West New Brighton, S. I. Dishes Loaned to Parties, Receptions, etc.—Among our well established and popular retail grocery house, we draw our readers' special attention to that conducted by Mr. Chas. Schneider of this place. This business was established in 1885, and has been under Mr. Schneider's sole management from the start. A first-class and extensive retail trade is handled requiring the constant employment of three experienced clerks. At the tastefully arranged store premises of this house (25x20 ft. in size) will be found a very complete stock of fine family groceries and provisions. Mr. Schneider obtains consignments from some of the leading metropolitan wholesalers, and is thus enabled to furnish his patrons with superior goods, in prime condition and at an attractive figure. This reliable store has built up its reputation and trade by showing the most careful attention to all the needs and tastes of its patrons, and our readers may place the most thorough confidence in the goods and bargains offered here. One noteworthy attraction is the fact that dishes are loaned by this house for special occasions, such as parties, receptions, etc. Mr. Schneider is a native of N. Y. City and one of our progressive, substantial business men. We are confident that those led to examine the attractive features of this house, will be grateful for this notice of the same.

E. McCrum, Dealer in Boots, Shoes and Rubbers, Cor. Castleton Avenue and State Street, West New Brighton, N. Y.—Science and common sense usually go hand-in-hand together, and when both are applied to a particular business or branch of trade good results are sure to follow. For the past generation constant improvements have been inaugurated in the making of boots and shoes, so that at present for a moderate sum can be obtained an article which combines all the advantages of style, with easy natural fit and good lasting qualities. An establishment in this line of trade noted for its progressive spirit, is the one conducted by Mr. McCrum of this place. Established in 1888, Mr. McCrum has steadily pushed his trade forward, until it has won an enviable name for honor and enterprise. His neatly fitted store (25x40 ft. in size) contains a large and attractive assortment of ladies', men's and children's footwear. One courteous assistant aids in showing every attention to the many patrons of this house. The best imported kid-shoes and also fine hand-made goods of the highest quality are carried and sold at very reasonable rates. The stock of rubbers and overshoes contains many elegant novelties. Repairing work is promptly and neatly executed, and we can assure our readers that in every relation and respect the dealings of this reliable house will be found satisfactory. Mr. McCrum is a native of Staten Island, and one of its most progressive and honored business men.

PHILIP BLASSER, Ph. G., Chemist, Deutscher Apotheker, Cor. Broadway and Castleton Avenue, West New Brighton, S. I. Physicians' Prescriptions carefully compounded at all hours. Pure Drugs and Chemicals dispensed only. Long distance Telephone, 26a W. B.—One of the greatest elements in our time in the advance of the science and practice of pharmacy has been, the marked progress of chemistry, and only a thoroughly trained and experienced chemist can now most intelligently meet the demands of this department of trade. This knowledge is necessary not only for the successful composition of needed pharmaceutical preparations, but also for the sure detection of any defect or dangerous ingredient, and the importance of this latter point cannot be overestimated. Among the apothecaries who have shown the most thorough ability in handling every branch of this trade, we may cite the establishment of Mr. Philip Blasser, Ph. G., an experienced chemist and pharmacist. He has given many years and thorough practice to perfecting every line of this important study and business. Although his establishment here was only opened at the beginning of 1892, it has proven conclusively that its work and materials are thoroughly first-class. Pure drugs and chemicals alone are dispensed and the guarantee given with these is absolute. In this important matter, where often a life and always physical well-being is at stake none of our readers can afford to take the slightest risk, and we commend their attention to the reliable services of this pharmacy. Physicians' prescriptions are given special attention and carefully compounded at all hours. Mr. Blasser is a native of Germany, and has a thorough mastery of all matters in this department. This gentleman is a graduate pharmacist from the College of Pharmacy of the City of New York, Licensed Druggist and Chemist by examination before the N. Y. City Board of Pharmacy.

SEAWOOD BROS., Builders' Hardware and Tools of Every Description. Also a full Line of Sporting Goods at Strictly New York Prices for Cash. 37 Columbia Street, West New Brighton, S. I.—The American genius has shown itself particularly adapted to the creation of ingenious mechanical tools and labor saving devices, beyond any other people of whom history bears record, and the growth of this trade has naturally followed quickly after the development of the natural resources of the country. A business firm which displays the latest and best advances made in this, as well as in other lines, is the establishment of Seawood Bros., at 37 Columbia St., this place. The firm was organized during the present year, and has already established a wide trade and reputation. At the thoroughly fitted store premises, which are 30x55 feet in dimensions, will be found a large variety and selected stock of builders' hardware and tools of every description, and also a full line of sporting goods. The stock is new, of the finest quality and workmanship, and the prices quoted are exceptionally low and advantageous. We can therefore commend our readers to the good services of this enterprising firm with assured confidence that they will receive thorough and marked satisfaction. The individual members of the firm are Mr. George B. and Mr. Henry S. Seawood. The former is a native of N. Y. City and the latter of Staten Island. Both have made evident that their business is an established reality and fitted to be a progressive leader in its department. These gentlemen make a specialty of hand-loaded shot-gun shells. Low prices are the rule at this establishment.

JASPER W. SCHELL, Dealer in Ladies' and Gents' Misses' and Children's Boots and Shoes. Large Line of Slippers and Rubber Goods. Branches. Castleton Avenue, near Taylor Street, West New Brighton, S. I., N. Y.—If one has ever suffered from a painful shoe, he is inclined to vow never to purchase again anything except custom-made foot wear. But the true remedy, and one more economical is to trade with a reliable and experienced shoe dealer, who appreciating the value of giving the utmost satisfaction will use every effort to furnish the best goods and adapt his stock to the most varied needs. The boot and shoe establishment conducted by Mr. Jasper W. Schell of this place has demonstrated its ability in supplying the best class of trade in its line. It was established in 1886 by Mr. Schell, and has progressed steadily since. An extensive retail business is now handled requiring the constant employment of four experienced clerk. At the finely arranged store premises which are 30x45 ft. in dimensions, will be found one of the largest, most complete and valuable stocks of boots, shoes, rubbers, etc., anywhere in this vicinity. The most popular and approved styles, and goods of the finest workmanship are kept on hand, prices being most reasonable and within the range of all. Repairing work of all kinds is neatly and promptly executed, and all the wants of patrons served with experienced care and skill. Mr. Schell is a native of Chicago, and his successful business is the result of marked enterprise and honorable dealings. This house merits the full confidence of all our readers.

WM. MCQUADE, Dealer in Coal and Wood, Office and Yard: Richmond Terrace, foot of Broadway, P. O. Box 212, West New Brighton, S. I.—The trade in coal and wood is not excellent in importance by that of any other line, and as the colder season approaches every household realizes how impossible it would be to do without it. It is then that one also realizes the importance of dealing with the most reliable houses. As there is no commodity in which increased demand so quickly raises the price, and only regular patrons of the best establishments can rely upon the most satisfactory results. Such an establishment is the one conducted by Mr. Wm. McQuade, of this place. The business was first started in 1873, nearly twenty years ago, by Messrs. F. and W. McQuade, and it has been under the sole management of its present proprietor since 1883. A very extensive wholesale and retail business is now conducted, requiring steady employment of eight competent men. The coal sheds and capacious yards of this house are 50x400 ft. in dimensions, and contain an immense stock of the finest grades of coal and fire-wood. Mr. McQuade makes a specialty of the domestic trade and is able to supply the best quality of stove and furnace coal at very attractive rates. Mr. McQuade is prepared to fill the largest contracts on short notice, he guarantees the character of material, and our readers are assured in trading with this reliable house, of obtaining most prompt and satisfactory service. Mr. McQuade is a native of Ireland, and is one of our most substantial and esteemed merchants and citizens.

MICHAEL BOHAN & CO., Fancy and Staple Groceries, Odd Fellows' Building, Broadway and Richmond Terrace.—No line of mercantile trade has shown greater advances than that dealing in the necessities of life. The grocery business has grown with all the discoveries of modern science in the larger production, better transportation, and finer preparation of these staple articles which enter into every day domestic consumption, so that now a first-class grocery establishment represents the united and best productiveness of all parts of the world. A house which has established a wide and lasting reputation in this line is the one conducted by Mr. Michael Bohan

and Company of this place. It was first started in 1889, by its present proprietors and has enjoyed a growing reputation and trade. Two competent clerks are employed to aid in handling the extensive retail business, and patrons are shown every courtesy and attention. Goods are delivered promptly and the prices are always maintained at the lowest market rate. At their finely arranged and fitted store premises (25x55 ft. in dimensions) they carry a complete line of staple and fancy groceries. These goods are distinguished by careful selection, thorough wholesomeness and perfection and condition. It is needless to say that all goods of this reliable house are guaranteed in every particular. The individual members of this firm are Mr. M. Bohan, Miss M. Brown and Miss K. Bohan. The former is a native of Kentucky and the two latter of Staten Island. We can assure all, dealing with this house, of the most thorough satisfaction.

H. TREETZ, Dealer in Meat, Provisions and Vegetables, 26 Columbia Street, West New Brighton, S. I. —No line of business or trade requires more constant oversight and ability than that concerned in the sale of meats and provisions. The importance of these articles in the domestic economy, added to the danger arising from said articles being in poor condition, makes it imperative for all sensible people to trade only with the most reliable dealers. Such an establishment is that conducted by Mr. H. Treetz, at 26 Columbia Street. Though established but one year since by Mr. Treetz he has already built up a large and flourishing trade requiring the constant employment of five experienced clerks. At his carefully arranged and well-kept market, will always be found the most desirable meats, provisions and vegetables in prime condition and at lowest city prices. Mr. Treetz enjoys the most perfected facilities for preserving his stock in the best condition. This fact, added to skill and experience shown in procuring supplies from the largest and best stock companies, enables him to offer advantages in the way of quality and price, rarely equalled, never excelled. On these principles has been based the great popularity and extending patronage of this first-class retail market. Great care is shown in filling individual and family orders, special cuts and styles being faithfully observed, while the large and valuable stock makes it possible also to supply yachting parties, ship orders and similar commissions at short notice. Mr. Treetz is a native of Germany, and one of our most progressive and substantial merchants. We can assure our readers that all trade with this reliable house will be met with the utmost care and satisfaction.

L. C. GRIMSHAW, Confectioner, 199 Richmond Terrace, West New Brighton. Horton's Plain and Fancy Ice Cream and Water Ice of the Finest quality, Packed in Ice. Delivered to your homes at very low prices. Orders left at Store or sent by Mail, will be promptly filled. —There is only one other country which approaches the United States, in the variety and skill shown in the confectionery trade, and that is France, but in this country we combine the advantages of others, with some especially marked and original of our own. The Ice Cream and confectionery business of Mr. L. C. Grimshaw's at 199 Richmond Terrace, has for some years held a prominent position, as furnishing unexcelled luxuries at very popular rates. As a consequence its trade and reputation have extended widely, since it was first established by Mr. Grimshaw, three years ago. One of the great specialties handled is "Horton's Ice Cream," which is too well-known to need special commendation, and is dispensed with utmost care and skill, from this its local agency. All kinds of plain and fancy ice creams, and water ices of the finest quality can be obtained here at any time, in either large or small quantities, and at practically wholesale rates. The advantages offered in this line cannot be excelled. Orders are promptly filled, whether left at store or sent by mail, and delivered at homes if desired. Prices quoted to large gatherings, are worthy of careful consideration. Mr. Grimshaw also carries a varied stock of fine, fresh candies, manufactured by himself from the purest ingredients, and noted for their exquisite flavor and quality. He is a native of New Jersey, and one of our most esteemed business men. A visit to his handsomely fitted store will both profit and interest our readers.

W. A. DRINNAN, Carpenter and Builder, Mosquito Net Frames and Weather Strips a Specialty, Jobbing Promptly Attended to, and Mrs. E. A. Drinnan, Dealer in Hardware, House Furnishing Goods, Tin and Willow Ware, Crockery, etc., 54 Castleton Avenue, Cor. Elizabeth Street, West New Brighton, Staten Island. —Among the oldest and most honored of all trades is that of the carpenter, its rise being coeval with the dawn of civilization, and the long roll of distinguished men who have graced the carpenter's bench it is safe to say is unsurpassed by that of any other line of trade. A business house which has won recognition for thorough and artistic work in this line is that conducted by Mr. W. A. Drinnan of this place. It was established four years ago, and has been under Mr. Drinnan's careful management from the start. Six competent and thoroughly trained men are employed, and every branch of the carpentry business, both by contract and jobbing, is handled with great efficiency and dispatch. Mr. Drinnan cheerfully submits thorough estimates on request, and giving personal supervision to every detail of work is enabled to guarantee complete satisfaction. He makes a specialty of fine mosquito net frames and weather strips in large quantities, and his prices will be found most liberal and attractive. The hardware and house-furnishing business of Mrs. E. A. Drinnan, (at above address) is closely allied with one just description. The stock will be found complete in every detail, leading houses being represented, and in no respect either of price or material will the goods sold at this reliable store be found surpassed by the best metropolitan houses. Satisfactory service is guaranteed and it will prove both of interest and profit to our readers to make a careful examination of the fine stock and progressive methods of this establishment.

JOSEPH BOOTH, Manufacturer of Grocery, Milk and Express Wagons, Carts and Wheels, Trucks and Lumber Wagons, and Everything Pertaining to the Business, 19 Roe Street, West New Brighton, S. I. —The carriage and wagon building establishment conducted by Mr. Joseph Booth at above address, is one of the oldest and best known through this section. It was established by its present owner and manager in 1867, and for a quarter of a century has maintained an enviable reputation for thoroughly artistic and reliable work. The extensive premises now occupied (40x118 ft. in dimensions) are fitted out with every facility for the most complete work of this character. Mr. Booth makes a specialty of the manufacture of grocery, milk and express wagons, which are noted for their combination of solid and durable qualities with artistic finish and adaptability for speed. All other kinds of carts and wagons, with their various parts, and including heavy trucks and lumber wagons, are constructed here promptly and with complete satisfaction. Mr. Booth willingly furnishes estimates at any time, and for reasonable figures and thorough satisfaction his work will not be readily equalled. All lines of repairing and jobbing are promptly executed. Only the most competent assistance is employed, and a considerable retail business is effectively handled. Mr. Booth is a native of England, and during his long residence and business experience has won wide esteem as an honorable and solid business man. We can assure all our readers that work left with this reliable house will be faithfully and thoroughly done.

GEO. W. GIBSON, "Old Established" West New Brighton Laundry, Staten Island.—Since cleanliness is next to Godliness, all industries making the affairs of every day convenience more tasteful and refined, may be truly regarded as important elements in local progress and welfare. Such is the "Old Established" West Brighton Laundry, managed by Geo. W. Gibson of this place. The business was first started by Mr. Flavel in 1882, and has been under its present energetic management since September last. The house is prepared to execute all laundry work, in the way of fine linen and other materials, in the most prompt and thorough manner. No acids or injurious bleaching preparations are used, and the care shown in this line, affords much greater wear to the linen, etc., than is gained under other methods. It will therefore be a matter of economy for those of our readers not acquainted with them to examine the advantages in this line offered here, and the considerate care used in obtaining the best results for patrons, will ensure any of our readers who make use of these advantages of unusual satisfaction in their laundry-work. Orders may be sent by mail, and work is executed and delivered promptly. Prices will be found the lowest current, and finished thorough work is guaranteed. Since every one wishes to obtain the best results in this line, its work and satisfaction given by this house are unexcelled in any section.

JOSEPH BARILE, Manufacturer of Fine Boots and Shoes, Shoes Made to Order for Ladies and Gentlemen. Repairing neatly Done. Low Prices. Ladies' Shoes Made to Order from \$3.00 to \$4.00. No. 47 Broadway, Corner Union Street, West New Brighton.—The modern shoes is the result of advanced science and art combined, giving at once an elegant effect and conforming to all the requirements of ease and health. Great advances have been made in the manufacture of boots and shoes, and among the establishments which have catered to the best trade of this section, is the one conducted by Mr. Joseph Barile at 47 Broadway. This business has now been established for seven years, and has been under Mr. Barile's management from the start. The store premises are very neatly fitted up, and contain an extensive variety of the finest custom made shoes for both ladies and gentlemen. Mr. Barile makes a specialty of custom-work, using only the finest material and guaranteeing a perfect fit. Considering the fine quality of the goods, the prices are exceedingly low. We would call especial attention to the ladies' shoes made to order, from the best kid, at the noteworthy prices of \$3.00 and \$4.00. There is no reason for not obtaining custom goods when they can be obtained at the advantageous rates possible at this reliable establishment. Mr. Barile is a native of Italy, and holds a well earned position among our experienced and honored business men. All orders are thoroughly executed, and repairing work neatly and promptly done.

GEORGE SMITH'S Dye Works, Steam Carpet Cleaning and Renovating at Short Notice. Prices Moderate. At 73 Richmond Terrace, West New Brighton, S. I.—An old establishment which has long enjoyed the best class of patronage in this section, is that conducted by Mr. George Smith at 73 Richmond Terrace. Every department of a first-class dye-works and steam carpet cleaning house have been represented here for many years. The business was first established in 1870 by Mr. Smith, and for twenty-two years has enjoyed the highest reputation for the character of its work and extensive trade. The steam carpet cleaning has long been the special feature of the business, though every line of work has been performed in a thorough and artistic manner. The old-fashioned method of carpet-beating not so long ago in wide vogue and a great domestic plague, is now almost out of date. When a house like the one under consideration with unsurpassed facilities for steam carpet cleaning can do the work so much more thoroughly and economically than the old way, it is sheer absurdity not to avail one's self of the advantages offered. Mr. Smith's charges will always be found very reasonable, and employing eighteen experienced men he is enabled to handle any amount of work at short notice. He is a native of Staten Island, and one of our honored and progressive business men.

C. G. KRUEGER, Dealer in Staple and Fancy Groceries, Paints, Oils, Glass, etc., etc. Fine Brands of Wines and Liquors. No. 202 Richmond Terrace, near Broadway, West New Brighton, S. I.—The grocery trade, it is safe to say, includes in its management, more experienced and competent business talent than any other one branch purely mercantile. This is because it deals in the absolute necessities of life, which the people must and will have in the best possible form. A progressive and reliable house therefore in this line is bound to command a wide and steady patronage. An establishment which has shown itself worthy of the best trade in this department is that conducted by Mr. C. G. Krueger, Successor to Mr. C. F. Schultdt, at 202 Richmond Terrace. This gentleman has built up a large and select trade. The store premises which are 25x59 ft. in dimensions, will be found fitted out in the most thorough and complete style. Mr. Krueger carries a large stock of fancy and staple groceries, fruits and vegetables, which for varied excellence, thorough reliability and reasonable price, can not be surpassed. He gives special attention to filling all orders and commissions with utmost care and dispatch. In addition to groceries, he has also a line of paints, oil, glass, etc., and his valuable stock of special brands in wines and fine liquors, is particularly noteworthy. We can assure our readers that all dealings with this reliable business house will prove thoroughly satisfactory.

OLD CASTLETON AVENUE MARKET, CHARLES E. BURBANK, Dealer in Every Variety of Meats and Provisions, Vegetables and Fruits in their Season. 67 Castleton Avenue, Near Caroline Street, West New Brighton, S. I.—Among the oldest and best known butcher establishments of this section, now under review, we call our readers attention to the reliable house of Mr. Charles E. Burbank, at 67 Castleton Avenue. It was established eighteen years ago by its present proprietor, under whose sole charge it has been from the start, and who has built up an unexcelled reputation for supplying the best class of goods in this line, at most reasonable rates. Three experienced clerks are employed, and a large retail business handled. At the thoroughly fitted up store (25x50 ft. in size) will be found a complete and first-class stock of fresh meats and provisions, including all the standard varieties, in the most approved forms. Mr. Burbank gives great care to the selection and preserving of his goods, and the finest quality is assured to all trading with this house. Prices are also maintained on the city basis, and every effort taken to give patrons the best results possible under the market conditions; vegetables and fruits are kept in their season, and all orders delivered with great care and dispatch. Mr. Burbank is a native Staten Islander, and one of our most esteemed merchants. In no respect will our readers fail to meet thorough and complete satisfaction in trading with this established and progressive house.

C. H. BROWN, Furnishing Undertaker and Embalmer, No. 96 Richmond Terrace, West New Brighton Staten Island. Telephone Call 110-B.—The undertaking business requires a combination of personal and business qualities as rare as it is invaluable. Delicate tact as well as the most perfect mastery of details are essential for the successful management of these duties, and those who have experienced the different effect where these qualities are present and lacking need no reminder of their importance. An establishment which has shown itself worthy of thorough confidence in the performance of all the duties in this department is that conducted by Mr. C. H. Brown at 96 Richmond Terrace. Although this business was only established in 1891, a very wide and honorable patronage has already been built up. Twelve experienced and competent assistants are employed, and the house is prepared at all times to take complete charge of funeral arrangements, no matter how large and extensive they may be. At the spacious premises of the store, which are 100x300 ft. in dimensions, will be found a valuable and complete line of furnishing undertaking goods, containing every thing needed of the finest quality and at specially moderate rates. Mr. Brown has also made a special department of the embalming work, and employing the most skilled assistance, is able to offer the most admirable, scientific and complete facilities for this often important work. We can assure our readers of entire consideration in entrusting important matters to this reliable establishment. Mr. Brown is a native of New Jersey.

JAMES SWEENEY, Family Groceries, 55 Castleton Avenue, West New Brighton, N. Y.—In a review of the important industries of any section the grocery-trade must always occupy a prominent place, both because of its great extent and also on account of the important necessities of life with which it deals. Among established and reliable business houses in this line, we cite that conducted by Mr. James Sweeney, at 55 Castleton Avenue, first started by Mr. Sweeney two years ago, it has made steady advancement, both in reputation and trade, owing to the high quality of goods sold, and reasonable terms. The tastefully arranged store premises of this concern are 25x40 feet in dimensions, and contains a valuable, selected stock of family groceries, including articles of all kinds carried by a first-class house. Mr. Sweeney uses especial care in obtaining for his patrons only the purest and most wholesome goods, and the representations of this reliable house are thoroughly guaranteed. The price are maintained at the lowest city rates, and all orders are delivered with great care and dispatch. One courteous assistant is employed to and in conducting the wide and select trade. Mr. Sweeney is a native of Staten Island, taking an honored position among our progressive and esteemed local merchants. Our readers will find it to their advantage to examine carefully the facilities in all lines of first class grocery trade offered by this house.

H. CLARK, Boot and Shoe Maker, Cigars, Tobaccos, Smokers' Articles, Shore Road, West Brighton, S. I.—Among the older and best known business establishments of this section, we call our readers special notice to the boot and shoe business conducted by Mr. H. Clark. This was established twenty years ago, and has been under Mr. Clark's efficient charge from the first. His goods and terms have gained a wide reputation for reliability, and he therefore enjoys an extensive and valuable retail and custom trade. This latter branch is made a specialty, and those who realize that it is just as important to have the shoe as any other part of the clothing made to order, will do well to examine the advantages offered here. Mr. Clark is thoroughly familiar, with the most elegant and also health conducive styles of shoes and boots. By long experience he is able to fit his patrons with the utmost nicety, and the high quality of material used is easily ascertain and guaranteed. His prices are so moderate that our readers will find it of great advantage to purchase his first-class custom goods. He also carries an attractive stock of cigars, tobacco and smokers' articles in general, which will be found of the best quality and at satisfactory figures. Mr. Clark is a native of England, and holds a established position among our progressive and esteemed business men. It will prove both of interest and profit to our readers to examine carefully the advantages in this line he offers.

JOHN KOCH, Dealer in Beef, Mutton and Lamb, Veal, Poultry, etc., Castleton Avenue, opp. Caroline St., West New Brighton, S. I.—Since every household both needs and desires the most wholesale and nutritive meats, this trade must grow steadily with every advance of population, as well as increase its influence as the improved methods of transportation from the great western cattle markets make these meats more easily and cheaply obtained. An establishment which has built up a high reputation in this line is the one conducted by Mr. John Koch, of this place. It was established by Mr. Koch a year ago, and has given special attention to supplying the finest class of trade. The neatly fitted store premises are 25x40 ft. in dimensions, and contain an attractive display of fresh meats, including beef, lamb, mutton, veal, poultry, etc. Mr. Koch has the best facilities for keeping his stock in the finest condition, and also using experienced judgment in purchasing, is able to offer his patrons the finest grade of these meats, at city market prices. He employs a courteous assistant and gives every attention to the individual wants and tastes of his patrons. Goods are promptly delivered and satisfaction guaranteed. Mr. Koch is a native of Germany, and one of our esteemed and reliable business men.

JAMES CAMPBELL Grocer, Corner Broadway and Henderson Avenue, West Brighton, S. I.—Among the advantages which a first-class grocery can offer its patrons, is that thorough and skilled judgment built upon observation and experience, which can protect them from deleterious articles and add to the comfort of life by supplying only the best and most wholesome forms of sustenance. It is therefore of great importance to trade only with the most reliable grocery establishments, and such a house we can commend to our readers consideration, in the business conducted by Mr. James Campbell of this place. It was established in 1885 by Mr. Danl. Roach and has been under its present efficient management for the last two years. At the well kept store premises of this house, which are 20x35 ft. in dimensions, is always kept on hand a full line of fine family groceries of all descriptions and at moderate prices. The teas, coffees, spices are imported through the best sources, and the butters, eggs and other country produce are obtained from the best farms and dairies of this section. The stock will be found complete, the quality and condition of goods are guaranteed, and with one experienced assistant, all the wants of patrons are promptly and faithfully supplied. Mr. Campbell is a native of Staten Island and his reputation as a progressive and honorable business man is thoroughly established. This gentleman makes a specialty of fine liquors and cigars at low figures.

DESCRIPTIVE SKETCH OF PORT RICHMOND.



BENNETT STREET.

As the nearest northern outlet by water of the seat of Richmond County, the village lying on the shores of the Kill von Kull, at the northern end of the township Northfield, Staten Island, was early called Port Richmond. It is one of the oldest settlements on the island and the last of the chain of important villages lining the north shore, from the point of St. George, to the junction of the Kill von Kull with Newark Bay. For many many years it was the centre of religious thought on the northern side of the Island, many of the inhabitants for miles around journeying hither on Sundays to attend divine worship, as there were few or no churches in the neighboring village, during the first twenty-five years of the present century. The history of the village is linked with very many of the notable and stirring events which marked the epoch of the Revolutionary war and the earlier period, when the greater part of Staten Island was little more than a wilderness, covered with dense forests of oak and chestnut, and peopled by Indians.

Here dwelt many of the pioneers who came from Holland, soon after the country had been opened up by the discoveries of Henry Hudson, the old fur traders and others who laid the foundations of the future greatness of New York. In fishing, hunting, and trafficking with the aborigines, in cultivating the farms they had laboriously cleared, these sturdy Dutchmen passed a monotonous existence, interrupted at times by Indian uprisings, and the horrible massacres that were too often caused by the injustice practiced by the representatives of the King of Holland, upon the red men, whose domain had been invaded and usurped. After the English came, and wrested the province from the Hollanders, Port Richmond retained for a long time its characteristics as a Dutch settlement, and even at the present day traces of the peculiarities of its original inhabitants. Of the later period preceding the War of the Revolution, still more marked reminders remain in the old colonial houses and other buildings, which yet look as though they would outlive another century. One of these stands on Jewett Avenue, close to the station of the Rapid Transit Rail Road, and owes notoriety to the fact that here died Aaron Burr, one time Vice-President of the United States, political intriguer, ambitious of establishing an empire in the west of which he was to be ruler, but who is best remembered as the slayer of his political opponent and exposé, Alexander Hamilton. The old building is still in a good state of preservation, and is now used as a hotel. There are other and equally notable places in the village, but time and space will not admit of an extended notice of each. Some of them will be described, and their history given, hereafter.

The Port Richmond of to-day is an interesting place, not only because of the historical associations surrounding it, but as well on account of its thriving appearance, its beautiful location and its desirability from all points of view as a place of residence. It is a quiet, peaceful spot, far enough from the busy marts of trade to afford a resting place for the tired man of business, yet near enough for easy and quick access to scene of commercial activity in the great cities across the bay, to present the best of inducements to those who prefer a suburban home.

A charter for the incorporation of the village of Port Richmond was granted by the State Legislature in April, 1866, but owing to certain unconstitutional flaws in the document it had to be amended at the following session of the Legislature, it was not until April 25, 1867, that the village entered upon its corporate existence, the first Board of Trustees, consisting of Capt. Nicholas Van Pelt, George W. Jewett, William A. Ross, Garret P. Wright, James B. Pollock and Henry Miller Jr., being elected on the 11th of May following. Each of these gentlemen represented one of the six wards into which the village was divided by the charter. Capt. Van Pelt was elected president of the Board, and so highly was he esteemed that he was retained continuously in that position for fourteen years, or until his death in 1881. In fact, the people of Port Richmond, have shown so much confidence in the integrity and ability of their public officers, that very few changes in the personnel of the Board have been made, during the twenty-six years of its continuance. That this confidence has been well placed is shown by the excellent manner in which the town has been governed during these years, and its welfare guarded and increased. One of the evidences of this is presented by the street improvements that have been and are still being made throughout the village. The roads are macadamized and form splendid drives, the smoothness and hardness contributing vastly to the comfort and pleasure of those who ride over them. Many of the principal streets have been widened, and all of the sidewalks, even in the outskirts, have been paved with flag stones. The magnitude of this work may be comprehended; perhaps, when it is stated that there were not more than five hundred feet of paved streets in the whole village at the time when the charter was issued.

The most beautiful part of Port Richmond, and perhaps its most desirable residence portion, is that adjoining the fine public park which was presented to the village by the Messrs. Haughwout, who purchased a large tract of land, here, in 1836, and laid it out in building plots, upon which now stand many handsome residences. This tract, together with one to the south of it, was at one time the most fertile, as well as the oldest farming land on the island, having been cleared and cultivated by some of the first Dutch settlers, who obtained their title to it, through patents issued by the King of Holland, way back in the Seventeenth century. Further south another old farm is now covered by villa plots and fine residences. This includes that portion of the village known as Elm Park. While the growth of Port Richmond has been steady and continuous from the earliest days to the present, there has been a larger increase in the population during the past ten years than at any previous time in its history. This is attributable to the excellent village government, and the vast improvements that have been made in the streets and public works, as well as to the push and energy of those who are interested in real estate and the growth of the place. To much cannot be said regarding the advantages possessed by Port Richmond, in point of location, general healthfulness, and all that goes to make up a desirable suburban place of residence. An adequate water supply was introduced as early as 1884, and has since been extended to all parts of the village. The water is of exceptional purity, and being drawn from driven wells, and guarded against contamination with surface streams, the inhabitants have the assurance that it will never fail in this respect. Neither is there danger of scarcity, even in times of excessive drought. The streets are lighted by electricity, and there is an excellent gas service, which was introduced before the incorporation of the village. All these with other improvements that have been added from time to time and which are considered indispensable in these days, when home comforts and conveniences are so generally distributed, add much to the outward attractions we have imperfectly enumerated above.

In educational facilities and in the possession of numerous flourishing and influential church societies, Port Richmond holds a high place. The public school system was introduced here, shortly after the passage of the act of 1812, by the State Legislature, authorizing the distribution of the public money raised for the purpose of encouraging the establishment of common schools. Much thought and attention has been given to the extension and perfection of the system in Port Richmond, with the result that there are no better equipped schools, or no better opportunities offered for the acquiring of a good education than are presented here. The village is divided into three districts, provided with substantial school houses, that were constructed with a view to the preservation of healthfulness among the children. The average daily attendance is large, the children look bright and happy, while the percentage of proficiency attained is very high.

Although little positive data is obtainable there is evidence that a church was established here very soon after the Dutch first settled in this part of Staten Island. There was no regular pastor, the people being dependent upon clergymen from Long Island and New Amsterdam, who made occasional visits to the small scattered flocks on the north shore and in the interior of the Island. In 1714, a grant for the erection of a Reformed Protestant Dutch Church on the North Shore was executed by Governor Hunter, and a building of quaint design was put up on what is believed to have been the site of the first church established here in 1680. A diagram of the second church, which building was destroyed during the Revolution, is still in existence and affords an interesting study. This church, like that which preceded it, had no regular pastor, the pulpit being occupied as opportunity offered by visiting ministers. From 1750 until 1790, the church was served by pastors who divided their time between it and the congregation in Bergen, N. J., on the opposite side of the Kill von Kull. Two years later the church was incorporated under the name of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church on Staten Island. The Rev. Peter Stryker who had been called to the charge was one of the incorporators, the others being Hendrick Garretson, John Van Pelt, Welhelmus Vreeland, John Garretson, William Merrel, Peter and Nicholas Haughwout and Abraham Prall. In 1787, after the death of Rev. John Frelinghuysen, who was a most eloquent preacher, and who died insane, the English language supplanted Dutch,

which had theretofore been used in all the services. After the British had destroyed their old Temple, the congregation determined to build a brick edifice. Accordingly a brick kiln was put up in a field adjoining the site of the new structure and there the material used in the construction of the walls was made. The old building is still standing and is one of the most cherished land marks in the village. Over the central entrance is inscribed the following brief history of the church:

REFORMED PROTESTANT DUTCH CHURCH,
Founded 1716,
DESTROYED IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR.
Erected anew 1786,
Rebuilt and Enlarged 1844.

G. W. BUEL
Fecit.

In the church yard surrounding the edifice are many old graves and tombs, the headstones of which date back to the early days of the last century, and are inscribed with names of the oldest and best known families on Staten Island. The church has been through many vicissitudes, but through them all has prospered, and to-day is one of the wealthiest and most influential, beside being one of the most ancient in Richmond County. Here Governor Tompkins worshipped, journeying with his family from his home in Tompkinsville, at the northern extremity of the island, to listen to the inspired preaching of the Reverend Dr. Van Pelt, who filled the pulpit for thirty-three years, and was succeeded by the Rev. James Brownlee, who for more than half a century labored in this portion of God's vineyard. Among the prized relics of the early days of the Dutch Church on Staten Island, in the possession of the consistory, is what is believed to be a complete record of the baptisms for over fifty years, beginning with 1696. It was rescued from destruction in a bonfire, to which it was about to be consigned with other rubbish from an old garret, but is now tenderly and carefully preserved.

The history of the Park Baptist Church is so intermingled with that of other of the early churches of this denomination on Staten Island, that it is difficult to tell where to begin. Like most of the other Baptist Churches on the Island, it was indirectly the results of the early efforts that culminated in the establishment of the old Clove Church, the first meeting house of the sect in Richmond County, and of which nothing now remains but the graves of the old church yard. The North Baptist Church was established in 1841, with fifty-three members from the old church, to which congregation fifty converts, the result of a revival in the old gun factory at West Brighton were subsequently added. The society now felt strong enough to build a home of its own, having previously met in a building in Graniteville. Accordingly a modest frame structure was erected in Port Richmond and dedicated in February, 1843. The services of the pastor was divided between the two churches, that in Graniteville receiving his ministrations in the morning, and the Port Richmond Church in the evening. Until 1857 the latter church, although it had grown greatly in the interim had no separate minister. At that time the Graniteville church was merged into the church at Mariners' Harbor, and thereafter the Port Richmond people had the undivided services of their pastor. The withdrawal of nearly fifty members to join the Mariners' Harbor church at this time greatly reduced the Port Richmond congregation, and although earnest efforts were made to revive and strengthen the church, it gradually weakened, and in 1864 it seemed on the verge of giving up the struggle, but after the building had been closed for several weeks a final effort was made, and under the ministration of a zealous pastor, the little band of thirty members was held together and occasional additions were made to the number. From 1870 the church began to grow. Many new members joined it during the following seven years, and the church edifice was remodelled and enlarged at a cost of \$13,000. Its prosperity continued to increase, and about 1878 a new church building was erected, it being constructed of brick. At this time the name was changed to the Park Baptist Church. In the succeeding years there has been no fear of a return to the dark days of 1860-64. Many converts have been added to the membership and a steady growth is promised in the future as in the past.

The Methodist denomination began the work of establishing churches on Staten Island as early as 1771, when a sermon was preached in the house of Samuel Van Pelt, by Francis Asbury, only a few days after his arrival in this country. Although the people of the colonies were then formulating the principles and gathering the energy which eventually freed them from English domination, they did not neglect religious worship. On the contrary, religion and politics in those days went hand in hand. The gospel, as interpreted by the founder of Methodism and his followers, was spread throughout the island, and within the next twenty-five years numerous congregations were established. Among this was the old church on Pond road. This was subsequently abandoned by the congregation for the more commodious structure of Trinity Church, in West Brighton, and for a number of years Port Richmond was without a Methodist Church. In January, 1867, forty-eight persons, most of whom came from Trinity Church, organized a society under the name of the North Shore Free Methodist Episcopal Church, at a meeting held in the Baptist Church at Port Richmond. In the latter edifice meetings were held, but within a month a tabernacle was erected and the name was changed to Grace Methodist Episcopal Church. By April 1st, of that year, the corner stone of their future church home was laid, and in the following December it was dedicated to the worship of God. The church stands on a lot facing on Heberton Avenue, between Bond and Cornelius Streets, and the cost of its erection was about \$10,000.

About forty years ago, the needs of the Catholic people on the North Shore, outside of New Brighton, induced the establishment of an out-mission at Port Richmond, by St. Peters of the first named village. At that time there were only about forty people of this faith in the town of Northfield. The first place of worship was an old stone house in Graniteville, mass being celebrated here once a month for three years, by the pastor of St. Peters. Within five years the congregation had increased to over one hundred and fifty, and a few years after a piece of ground was purchased and a frame building sixty by thirty feet was erected on Quarry Hill. This was intended for a school house, but was temporarily used as a church. Up to 1858 services continued to be held once a month, but as the population grew, and the number of Catholics increased, they were held twice a month, and finally every Sunday.



RICHMOND TERRACE COR. RICHMOND AVE., PORT RICHMOND.

By 1877 the congregation had grown so large that the church authorities determined to erect St. Mary's into a separate parish, and this was accordingly done by the appointment of a regular pastor. Five years later, the flock having outgrown the little frame house that had served it all these years, a piece of property on the Shore Road, Port Richmond, was purchased and on it was erected one of the finest church edifices on Staten Island. The corner stone was laid on August 19th, 1883, by Archbishop Corrigan, who dedicated the building in May of the following year.

The German Evangelical Church of St. John, was organized at Port Richmond in 1852, with sixteen members, who purchased the old Pond Road Church from the Methodists, and have occupied it ever since. The church has had a steady growth, and now has a large membership. Attached to it is an excellent school, under the management of the church. There are over one-hundred scholars who are instructed in both German and English studies. Port Richmond possesses a large number of social and beneficial associations, including the oldest and largest lodge of Masons on Staten Island. Richmond Lodge, No. 66, F. & A. M., was organized in 1825, and from it have emanated several other lodges. Meetings are held on the first, third and fifth Monday nights of the month. About every other order of any consequence is represented, including the Odd Fellows, O. U. A. M., and A. O. U. W., the Forresters, and one of the few Posts of the G. A. R., in Richmond County. The latter was organized on Nov. 22, 1884, and is composed of soldiers and sailors who hold honorable discharges from the government for services rendered in the late war. All of the comrades of the Post have seen active service, and a number of them have experienced the horrors of Confederate prisons.

The advantages which Port Richmond offers for the establishment of business enterprises has been promptly recognized. The retail trade is large and important, the numerous stores on the main streets of the village testifying to its general prosperity and progressiveness. The stocks carried are large and varied, all classes of merchandise being kept in the well-appointed and attractive stores. Its manufacturing interests are also very extensive. Two of the most important industries are the manufacture of white lead and the production of linseed oil. The former was established here in 1842 and is a very large works, producing over three thousand tons of white lead annually. The

main building is one-hundred and fifty feet long by thirty-five feet wide, and is three stories in height. There are several other buildings in which the various processes, from the corroding of lead to the grinding of the white lead in oil, are carried on. The brand of white lead made here has a reputation for purity and general excellence as wide as the country, and is considered one of the most valuable acquired by the Consolidated Company, which now owns and operates these works, with about forty or fifty others in different parts of the United States. The manufacture of linseed oil was begun in 1869, and has grown to large proportions, the annual out-put at present, being over half a million gallons. The main building of the works is constructed of brick and is one hundred and twenty feet long by twenty feet wide. It is three stories high and is surmounted by a tower, in which is a public clock. Other manu-



RICHMOND AVENUE, PORT RICHMOND.

facturing enterprises are centered here, and when shipbuilding was in its prime on Staten Island, Port Richmond's ship yards had a considerable reputation. At present, all that remains of that industry, at this place, are the extensive yards near the white lead works that are given over to the building of scows used in river transportation, and to the repairing and refitting of steamboats and other smaller craft, plying in the harbor. Even this business is large and remunerative and furnishes employment to many men. The yards are supplied with a dry dock, capable of lifting vessels of large tonnage.

The transportation facilities of Port Richmond are unexcelled since the opening of the Staten Island Rapid Transit Railroad, five or six years ago, the only thing that was needed to complete the attractiveness of the village in the eyes of the suburban home-hunter. There are frequent trains to and from St. George and other parts of the Island, and the trip to New York is shortened by nearly half an hour. An electric railroad communicating with West Brighton, New Brighton and Tompkinsville, is projected, and we understand will soon be in operation. A line of electric cars runs from the rapid transit station to Prohibition Park, on the outskirts of the village. A word concerning this place may not be out of order. In 1890 a chartered combination was formed for the purpose of establishing summer headquarters for the various societies devoted to the cause of temperance and prohibition. About thirty acres were purchased on the high land in the eastern part of Port Richmond, and here a park was laid out and named the National Prohibition Park. The grounds are situated in a healthful locality and are less than an hour's ride from New York. Here a beautiful tabernacle was built and during the summer months meetings, at which the most prominent speakers on temperance and religion appear, are held. A hotel has been erected, and many people attracted by the beauty of the spot, and enthusiastic in the cause represented, have built handsome residences in the park. Although the project is scarcely three years old, it has been highly successful from its inception.

Port Richmond is connected with Bergen Point on the opposite side of the Kill von Kull by a steam ferry which affords a very desirable means of communication with Newark, Elizabeth, Bayonne and other New Jersey cities, and thence with all parts of the country by the numerous lines of railroads passing through that state.

REPRESENTATIVE BUSINESS MEN OF PORT RICHMOND.

MERSEREAU BROS. & CO., Manufacturers of and Dealers in Doors, Sashes, Blinds and Mouldings, also, Builders' Hardware, Port Richmond, S. I.—A large proportion of the doors, sashes, blinds and mouldings used in Port Richmond and vicinity are furnished by Messrs. Mersereau Bros. & Co., and it is not at all surprising that such should be the case, for the business carried on by this firm was founded a third of a century ago, and it has long been known to the public in general and builders in particular that one is sure to obtain reliable goods at bottom prices by patronizing this representative house. Operations were begun in 1859, by Mr. A. B. Mersereau, who afterwards became associated with Mr. George Mersereau under the style of Mersereau Bros., and in 1892, Mr. E. L. Mersereau was admitted to partnership and the present firm name adopted. All the partners were born on Staten Island and are widely known in social, as well as in business circles. Mr. George Mersereau has served as Trustee of the village. The concern are manufacturers of and dealers in doors, sashes, blinds and mouldings, and also deal largely in builders' hardware. They sell at wholesale as well as retail, and it is perfectly safe to guarantee satisfaction to both large and small buyers, not only as regards the quality and the price of goods, but also as regards the promptness and accuracy with which orders are filled.



M. E. WYGANT, Wholesale and Retail Grocer, 6 Shore Road. Proprietor Big Six and Exchange Stables, 6 Jewett Avenue. Wygant's Swiss Cottages to let.—One of the oldest and best known business establishments of this section is that conducted by Mr. Wygant of this place. His business includes a large wholesale and retail grocery trade at above address, and he is also proprietor of the "Big" Six Sale and Exchange Livery Stables, at 6 Jewett Avenue. He first started this business here twenty-one years ago, and under his progressive management it has made steady progress from the start. Five experienced men are employed, and a large establishment covering an area 500 x 500 feet, is occupied by the various branches of his business. His stock of fine family groceries will be found unsurpassed, both in high quality and reasonableness of price. There are 40 large and commodious stalls in his well-known stables, and the special characteristics of his fine shed of thoroughbred animals is too familiar to need extended mention. Exceptional facilities are offered for the sale and exchange of horses, and the conveniences for safe and comfortable keeping of the same are of the best order. All desiring exceptionally good bargains in this line will do well to examine the valuable opportunities here offered. His grocery trade is both wholesale and retail, and a special point is made of serving all patrons with great promptness, satisfaction being guaranteed. It will also prove of interest to our readers to examine the attractive list of Swiss Cottages which Mr. Wygant has to let. Mr. Wygant is a native of New York, and one of our most esteemed and successful business men.

W. A. DEVON, Merchant Tailor, Port Richmond, S. I.—Tasteful and stylish apparel are the marks of polite and gentlemanly society, and their importance can not well be over estimated where so much depends upon good impressions, and thorough judgment shown in the general and social interests of life. It is needless to say that the best results in this line are only assumed by patronizing a reliable tailor, and among the oldest and most esteemed tradesmen in this department, is Mr. W. A. Devon of this place. His fine tailoring business was established twenty-six years ago, and has been under his progressive management from the start. Most honorable dealings and thorough experience have enabled him to cater successfully to the finest class of trade, and his establishment will be found unsurpassed in all matters appertaining to a first class house. At his attractive store, 25 x 35 feet. in dimensions, a full and elegant line of custom patterns are displayed. Two thoroughly competent men are employed, and all work is executed carefully and promptly. Perfect fit and satisfaction as to style and price are guaranteed. His terms are very liberal, and it will prove of profit to all interested in obtaining best results in this line to examine the facilities offered by this established house. Mr. Devon is a native of Scotland, and one of our most esteemed merchants. He holds the position of Captain in the 79th Regt. N. Y. S. N. G., and takes thorough interest in public and social affairs.

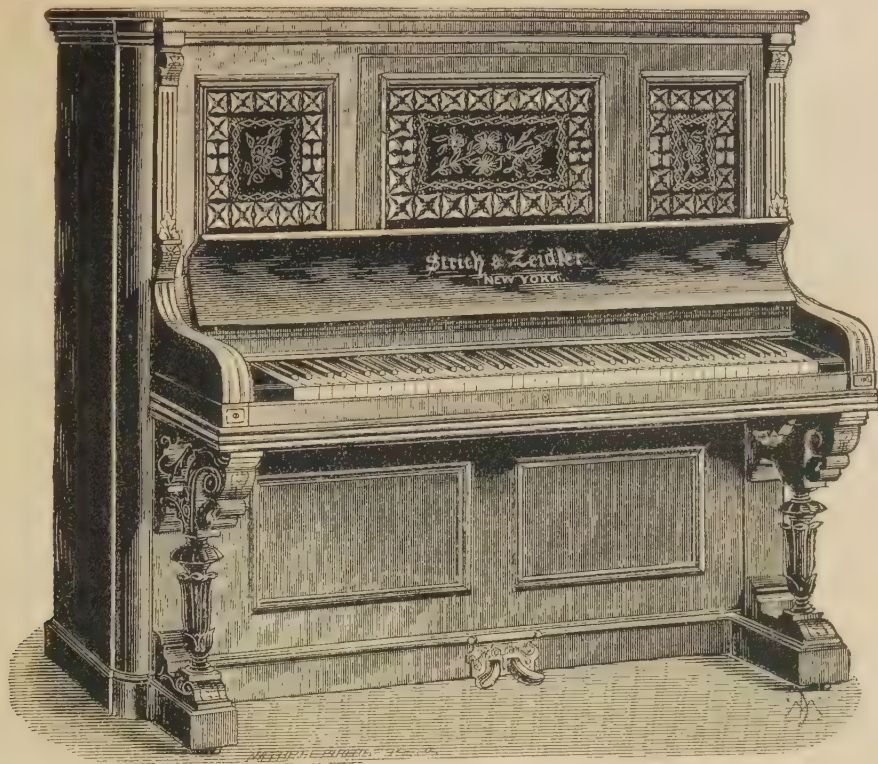
H. E. BUEL, Marble and Granite Works, Port Richmond, S. I.—There will always be a demand for fine stone and quarry work, and this business naturally develops itself where the facilities are best adapted to its operations. A fine instance of successful development along this line is shown in the marble and granite works of Mr. H. E. Buel, which were first opened by Mr. O. W. Buel, Sr., in 1844, and have been carried forward by the present proprietor for the past fourteen years. Mr. Buel handles some select and handsome varieties of building and decorative stone, and is able to offer exceptional advantages in this line. Long experience and practice have given him familiarity with every branch of this trade, and all orders in the way of marble and granite stonework, will receive most prompt and thorough attention. Unique and picturesque designs are made to order or on suggestion, and the work of this house is equally satisfactory on either original or copied patterns. Mr. Buel employs only the most competent assistance, and guarantees the quality and perfect finish of all work sent out. His terms are liberal and we can assure our readers that whatever wants in this department are submitted to his care will be most thoroughly executed. Mr. Buel is a native of Port Richmond, and a thoroughly progressive and esteemed business man.

WINANT & CHRISTOPHER, Port Richmond Market, Dealers in Beef, Veal, Mutton and Pork, Milk and Vegetables from the Farm. Cor. Shore Road and Ferry Street.—In the management of a first-class establishment dealing in meats and country produce, the most careful judgment and experience is necessary, both in the selecting and preserving of the stock, as prime condition is a matter of extreme importance in this line of goods. An old-established house, which can always be relied upon for its fine quality of stock and straight forward dealings is the one conducted by Messrs. Winant & Christopher of this place. This business was established thirty-five years ago, by the firm of Depin & Winant, and it has been under its present management since 1882. The firm are thoroughly conversant with the demands made by the best trade of this section, and long experience enables them to meet these demands in a most satisfactory manner. At their attractive and thoroughly fitted store (25x50 ft. in dimensions) they carry a large and select stock of fresh meats, including beef, veal, mutton and pork, and milk and vegetables fresh from the farm. The high excellence and purity of their goods, as well as reasonable prices, enable them to offer patrons a combinations of advantages rarely obtained. All customers are served with great courtesy and dispatch, goods being promptly delivered. Both members of this substantial firm are natives of Staten Island and among our most esteemed business men.

DAVID VAN NAME, Cigars, Tobacco and Confectionery. Oysters in Season. Richmond Terrace, Port Richmond, N. Y.—Among the most satisfying and delightful luxuries of modern times must be recognized the fragrant plant which gives its charms to the various preparations of tobacco. A wide-awake and reliable store, carrying an attractive stock of goods in this line, is that conducted by Mr. David Van Name, of this place. The business was started in 1891, and under progressive management, a wide and select retail trade has been established. Mr. Van Name makes a specialty of catering to the best class of trade, and his attractively arranged store, 20x35 ft. in dimensions, contains an exceptionally complete and first class assortment of Havana and Domestic cigars, smoking and chewing tobacco of all kinds, and also a good line of confectionery and stationery goods. He also carries fresh oysters in season, and the patrons of his store may rely in receiving all goods in the best and most wholesome condition. The prices are very moderate, and we commend our readers, desiring special advantages in the lines represented, to the solid attractions and honorable dealings of this establishment. Mr. Van Name is a native of Staten Island, and a thoroughly enterprising and esteemed business man.

G. H. WIDMER, Signs, Fine Wall Papers, Artists' Materials, Paints, Oils, Glass, Varnishes, Brushes, etc., Interior and Exterior Decorator. 63 Richmond Terrace, Port Richmond, Staten Island.—Artistic decoration of all sorts, both interior and exterior, in domestic and business affairs, is a branch in which most noteworthy progress has been made in recent years. One of the best known and reliable establishments in this line is that conducted by Mr. G. H. Widmer at 63 Richmond Terrace. This business was established by Mr. Widmer in 1889 and has been carried steadily forward under progressive management. Every branch of this business, including fine wall-papering, sign painting, glazier's work, and interior and exterior decorations of the most artistic character are thoroughly executed by this house. Ten experienced men are employed, and Mr. Widmer is prepared to handle large and important contracts on short notice. At his attractive store, which is 25x50 ft. in dimensions, will be found a complete assortment of wall-papers, artists' materials, paints, oil, glass, brushes and all other goods needed in this line. The prices are most liberal, and entire satisfaction is guaranteed. Mr. Widmer is a native of N. J. and holds an honored position among our most progressive and successful merchants. His store and reliable services will be found equal to the most modern demands in the departments represented.

C. M. VAIL, The People's Market, Butter and Eggs a Specialty, No. 8 Richmond Terrace, also 84 Post Ave., Port Richmond, S. I.—There are some goods which every household must constantly have, and which it is a matter of the greatest importance to purchase only at the best and most reliable establishments. Of these, fine meats and provisions are prominent, and among the oldest and best known establishments, dealing in these goods here, we cite the example of that conducted by Mr. Vail, well known as the "People's Market," at No. 8 Richmond Terrace, and also No. 84 Post Ave. This business was established sixteen years ago by Saunders Bros., and has been under Mr. Vail's management for the past ten years. A valuable and select retail trade is conducted, and the goods of this store are unsurpassed for fresh and wholesome qualities, as well as for exceptionally attractive prices. The large and well arranged store premises of this concern are 40x125 feet in dimensions, and contain an excellent display of fine meats and provisions, including fresh beef, mutton, lamb, veal, pork, poultry and also vegetables of all kinds. A specialty is made of fresh butter and eggs, and all goods purchased here are guaranteed to be most satisfactory both in condition, quality and price. Mr. Vail is a native of New Hampshire, and one of our most esteemed merchants.



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GREENWALD BUILDING, RICHMOND AVENUE, PORT RICHMOND, N. Y.

The art of music is one of the oldest and most delightful of all those finest achievements of the human mind which lend dignity and charm to life. In recent times, increasing attention has been given to this art throughout the country, and as a natural consequence, greater artistic and mechanical perfection has been secured in all musical instruments, while many new and beautiful compositions have also been given to the world. As representing the new and progressive spirit in musical circles, no better example could be chosen than the firm of Strohm & Snedeker of Port Richmond. Both members of this firm are well known and talented musicians and have given many years to the perfection of technique, according to the best theories and practice, being thoroughly familiar with the full range of matters pertaining to this art. Their business as dealers in all kinds of musical instruments, music and musicians' supplies of all sorts, is now thoroughly established and has won the patronage and confidence of all acquainted with and interested in these matters. They occupy a tastefully arranged office and store, in dimensions 25 x 35 ft., and their stock represents the most perfected and satisfactory results of first class musical science. Among other lines represented are the celebrated Strick & Zeidler Pianos, and every variety of first class musical instruments can be purchased here at low rates, either for cash or on installments. Instruments can also be rented on easy terms, and all desiring exceptional satisfaction in these important matters, will do well to examine the advantages offered by this progressive firm. Two experienced assistants are employed, and all details and orders receive scrupulous and prompt attention. The large stock of Standard Musical Compositions and Artistic Stationery, merit especial observation. Great attention given to the tuning and repairing of pianos, and in this delicate and important department, the most competent and satisfactory service is guaranteed. Another noteworthy feature of this firm is the fact that instruction, thorough and complete, is given upon any musical instrument that is made, indicating the wide range of musical tastes and capabilities which can be successfully met at this emporium in its department. For all special occasions, also festive and public, this firm can furnish any class of music, and its reputation guarantees entire satisfaction. The members of the firm are Mr. J. E. Strohm and Mr. L. Snedeker, Jr., the former being a native of N. Y. City and the latter of Staten Island. Mr. Snedeker is a member and Cornet Soloist of the Apollo Band of Staten Island, also Vice-President of the Starin Hose Co. No. 5, West New Brighton, and a member of the Seventh Regt., N. Y. S. N. G. Mr. Strohm is the Oboe player in the Apollo Band, leader of the Brooklyn Quartet String Orchestra, and 1st Violinist in the celebrated Kenmore Orchestra of Brooklyn. This brief review of a house representing the widest and best development of the musical art, will suffice to show that Staten Islanders interested in music, and very few are not, are thus afforded privileges not to be readily equalled outside of the metropolis. The facts speak for themselves, and judgment and success based upon extended experience and practice are but the material consequence of the great principles of this art. We may add, for the special convenience of any interested, that the local branch of the W. U. Telegraph Co. will be found at this firm's establishment.



RESIDENCE ON HEBBERTON AVENUE, PORT RICHMOND.

THE A. Z. ROSS, Real Estate, Insurance and Steamship Agency, No. 9 Shore Road, Port Richmond, N. Y., Telephone Call 131 F. Lock Box 303. Henry M. Holmes, Manager.—Natural advantages of a high order give to any locality the best reason for the existence of progressive real estate men, and in these days, when there are so many booming schemes on the market, it is of the most vital concern to consult only a thoroughly reliable and established house in this line. Such may well be regarded The A. Z. Ross real estate and insurance business, conducted by Mr. H. M. Holmes, of this place. It was established by Mr. A. Z. Ross, in 1877, and has been under its present able management for the past four years. By long experience and thorough familiarity connection have been established, which enable this house to offer exceptional advantages, both in the buying and selling of real properties, improved or unimproved. It has some very desirable investments at special figures for cash, or on terms which may be arranged to satisfaction of both parties. In the management of estates, it has long made a specialty of transacting every detail with scrupulous accuracy and dispatch. It also conducts a large insurance business, representing some of the best and largest companies, and being able to offer unexcelled facilities in this department. In close connection it also maintains a steamship agency, and can furnish metropolitan rates and every convenience to prospective travelers. Two experienced clerks are employed, and the services of this old and reliable house, will be found to give thorough satisfaction in all business relations undertaken.

LEADLEY & HAUGHWOUT, Printers and Stationers. Richmond Terrace and Jewett Avenues Port Richmond, S. I.—The greatest revolution of history was that inaugurated by the invention of the printing-press, and innumerable benefits to civilization have sprung out of this potent fountain of making known the thoughts and life of men. A thoroughly first-class and enterprising business house in this line, is the printers' and stationers' establishment of Messrs. Leadley & Haughwout, of this place. Their business was established during the year 1892, and having shown ability to handle the finest class of work and trade, have already built up an extended patronage and reputation. At their well-fitted out store (20x35 ft. in size) will be found a large and attractive line of goods in this department. They are prepared to handle every class of fine printing work, on short notice, and guarantee satisfaction in all particulars. They make a specialty of artistic printing, and their facilities in this line will be found unsurpassed. Their stock of stationery goods is also very large and of special interest at this time. Their prices, as well as the exceptionally fine finish of material, will prove, upon examination, of interest to all our readers. The individual members of this firm are Mr. J. H. Leadley, Jr. and Mr. W. B. Haughwout. Both stand among our most wide awake and esteemed business men.

WINANT & DECKER, Dealer in Fancy Groceries, Fine Teas, Coffees and Spices. Richmond Avenue, Port Richmond, S. I.—Although the grocery trade is one of the oldest in existence, yet it will never grow old, since it meets and caters to some of the most necessary and absolute wants of human life. The taste for refined and select groceries was never so marked as it is to-day, and it gives rise to some of the best industries in the world. The firm of Winant & Decker, has gained wide recognition through this section, for the superior excellence of its goods and very attractive prices. The business was established five years ago, by its present proprietors, and has taken a leading position from the start. At its neatly and well kept store (20x35 ft. in dimensions) is displayed a very full and select stock of fine family groceries, including teas, coffees, spices, etc. Two clerks are employed and the ex-

tensive retail trade is handled with great care and ability. By establishing the best connections for imported and other goods, this store can offer exceptional advantages both in quality and price. Terms will be found very reasonable, and all orders are delivered promptly. Both members of this firm are natives of Staten Island, and stand among our most substantial and esteemed merchants. We refer the consideration of our readers to the admirable and first-class facilities of trade offered by this well-known establishment.

CHAS. U. SAUNDERS, Manufacturer and Dealer in Bicycles, Wagons and Harness. If desired, will Sell on Installments. The Leading Credit House in the County, Port Richmond, N. Y.—As wealth and intelligence have increased in this country, there has grown up a great tendency to combine business with pleasure, and it is to this fact that the immense development of the bicycle trade in recent years is due. This exercise combines hearty enjoyment and vigorous pleasure, with great advantages to health and also practical considerations. Of the great growth of this valuable form of athletic exercise a striking example is afforded in the business of Mr. Chas. U. Saunders, manufacturer and dealer in bicycles, wagons, harness, etc. of this place. Mr. Saunders has been conducting this business now for the past sixteen years, and for several seasons has devoted great attention to the bicycle trade, so that this branch has come to be considered a leading representative in its line, throughout this section. His premises are the headquarters of cyclers from all parts of the Island, and contain a most complete and valuable assortment of bicycles and cyclers materials of all kinds, as well as an extensive stock of wagons and harness-goods, which are sold, stored or exchanged on the most reasonable terms. The main store premises are 55x135 ft. in dimensions, and in addition there is a bicycle rink (60x100 ft.) where purchases are taught to ride free of charge, the rate to others being 50 cents per lesson, or 6 lessons for \$2.50. Three experienced assistants are employed, and no effort spared to render thorough satisfaction in every particular. Any class of goods carried in stock are sold on installments if desired, and the terms of this house will be found most liberal and advantageous, it having established a wide reputation as the leading credit house in the county. We can direct the attention of all our readers desiring the finest goods and best service in this line to the exceptional facilities of Mr. Saunders's establishment, with the thorough assurance that they will receive most ample and complete satisfaction.

F. R. JOHNSON, Fancy and Staple Groceries, 25 Richmond Terrace, Port Richmond, S. I.—The grocery trade is not excelled in importance by any other of the many branches of human industry. Its history is as old as civilization, and its various lines branch out over every progressive land and community. An establishment which is in touch with the best lines of trade in this department is that conducted by Mr. F. R. Johnson of this place. Though established during the present year, it has already built up a wide reputation and patronage showing itself equal to the demands of the most select trade. The neat and attractive store premises of their concern contains varied and complete stock of first-class groceries, including all the staple and fancy lines. These goods are obtained direct from leading metropolitan wholesalers, and represent the very best and most wholesome articles obtainable in the various lines. Mr. Johnson's prices are on the city basis, and a specialty is made of serving patrons with the greatest dispatch and thorough care. The store is one of the most neatly arranged and attractive of any on the Island. Mr. Johnson is a native of Staten Island, and a thoroughly enterprising and honored business man. We can assure our readers that an examination of the exceptional facilities offered by this reliable store will prove both of interest and profit to them.

ALVIN CONKLIN, Turning, Sawing, and Planing Mill, Mouldings, Scroll Work, Brackets, Columns, Balusters, etc., Furnished at Short Notice. Shore Road, opp. Ferry Street, Port Richmond, Staten Island. P. O. Box 6, West Brighton, P. O. Box 159, Port Richmond.—The business carried on by Mr. Alvin Conklin at his turning, sawing and planing mill, on the Shore Road, opposite Ferry Street, furnishes mouldings, scroll work, brackets, columns, balusters and building work in general, in all its branches. Mr. Conklin is a native of New Jersey and has been identified with his present enterprise since 1888. He has built up an extensive and what is more, a select trade, for not only are his prices right, and his goods right, but he is prepared to furnish anything in his line at very short notice, and the promises he makes concerning the delivery of work are strictly fulfilled unless this is prevented by the occurrence of accidents beyond his control. Mail orders are assured as prompt and careful attention as those given in person, and they may be addressed to Post Office Box 159, Port Richmond, or to Post Office Box 6, West Brighton. Employment is given to an ample force of experienced assistants, and special care is taken, the work turned out comparing favorably as regards accuracy and fineness of finish with any of which we have knowledge.

W. H. PERRY & CO., Real Estate and Insurance, 16 Shore Road, Port Richmond, Staten Island. Insurance placed at Lowest Rates in First-Class Companies, Representing Northern, of London, Lancashire, of Manchester, Orient, of Hartford, Sun Insurance Office, of London, and other Leading Companies.—The real-estate and insurance business is one which must constantly grow in importance as the wealth and population of any section increase, and in this line it is of utmost importance to establish relations only with the most conservative and reliable establishments, as there is no business where more depends upon experienced and careful judgment. A business in this line, enjoying a high reputation for the most reliable service is that of Messrs. W. H. Perry & Co., whose office is at 16 Richmond Terrace, this place. The business was established in 1888, and by thorough management and careful judgment has built up an unexcelled reputation for conservatism, and yet progressive spirit. The advantageous properties held, both improved and unimproved constitute some of the finest and most solid investments in this section. This firm, through wide connection, can offer most satisfactory service in the buying, selling and leasing of properties, and also in all matters connected with the management of estates. Among important insurance companies represented are the "Northern," of London, "Lancashire," of Manchester, "Sun Fire Insurance Company," of London, the "Orient," of Hartford, and other leading companies, representing a combined capital of many millions of dollars. The security and rates offered cannot be surpassed, and the firm handles a large business in this line with great promptness and care. Both members of this firm, are natives of New Jersey, and have taken honored positions among our most solid and reliable business men. Mr. W. H. Perry is the Collector of Internal Revenue for this district, and thoroughly interested and active in all movements of public concern and advance.



RICHMOND AVENUE NEAR RAPID TRANSIT R. R., PORT RICHMOND.

MRS. GEORGE RORKE, Millinery, Dry and Fancy Goods, Notions, Hosiery, Gloves, Shoes, etc., 37 Richmond Avenue, Port Richmond, S. I.—The millinery and dry goods trade is old as the love of the beautiful in personal adornment, and has associated with it some of the finest tastes and fancies of modern life. It must always prosper, under efficient management, among a cultivated and refined people. Among establishments which have gained a high reputation, and built up the best class of trade through this section, is the one conducted by Mrs. George Rorke at 37 Richmond Avenue, this place. The business was established nine years ago by Mr. Geo. Rorke, and has been under its present management since 1886. An extensive and valuable retail trade is conducted, including all lines of millinery, dry and fancy goods, hosiery, gloves, shoes, etc. At the tastefully fitted up store of this house (25x40 ft. in dimensions), will be found a complete and varied stock of goods in the lines mentioned; the finest quality and styles are kept in stock, and also many very attractive bargains. It is the aim of this house to serve its patrons with the greatest care and dispatch. All work done to order receives the most scrupulous attention and satisfaction is guaranteed. The prices will be found most liberal, and we commend the efficient and reliable services of this establishment to all our readers. Mrs. Rorke is a native of Michigan, and is one of our most esteemed and progressive business women. A complete stock of the latest novelties is always to be found at this establishment.

I. A. SILVIE, Dealer in Fine Furniture, Carpets, Oil Cloths, Mattresses, Window Shades and House Furnishings. Furniture Upholstered. Special attention to Furnishing Undertaking. Office, 47 Richmond Ave., Residence, 49 Richmond Ave., Port Richmond, S. I.—The furniture and carpet trade is one which has been unexcelled in the progress and artistic skill it has shown in recent times. Among the most enterprising and reliable establishments in this line we cite the example of that conducted by Mr. I. A. Silvie, of this place. It was first opened by Mr. Silvie, in 1888, and has been carried steadily forward under his progressive management. The advantages of his stock and special prices have developed a very large and valuable trade, both wholesale and retail, which extends throughout this section, and requires the employment of eight experienced clerks. At the large and handsomely fitted up store, 95x100 ft. in dimensions, will be found a varied and complete stock, including all the best lines in furniture, carpets, upholstered goods, etc. The most thorough and unexcelled facilities are offered for fitting out a home, and the prices are noteworthy for liberality. Furniture upholstering and similar work is neatly and promptly executed, and a branch to which special attention is given is that of furnishing undertaking. Those desiring the advantages of a progressive establishment, with facilities equalling those of metropolitan houses, will do well to visit this popular and reliable store. Mr. Silvie is a native of Staten Island, and is highly esteemed as a successful and honorable merchant.

WILLIAM LUTZ (Successor to P. C. LaForge), Dealer in Fancy and Staple Groceries, Feeds, etc. Fine Creamery Butter a Specialty. Richmond Terrace, near the foot of B'way, Port Richmond, S. I.—One of the oldest and best known business establishments in this section is the grocery trade now conducted by Mr. Wm. Lutz of this place. This trade was established thirty-five years ago by P. C. La Forge, and was transferred to its present efficient charge during the current year. The finest class of grocery goods are kept in stock, and a select retail trade conducted. At the tastefully arranged store-premises of this house, which are 25x40 ft. in dimensions, will be found a most attractive and select assortment of goods in this department. Among other features of the stock we call attention to the fine creamery butter, which is made a specialty, and will be found of unusual excellence and purity. In fact all of these reliable goods merit the most careful attention of our readers interested in obtaining the best. Mr.

Lutz exercises great care in the selection of his stock from the best source of supply, and it may be relied upon to be in every particular satisfactory. Prices are maintained at city rates. A courteous assistant is employed, and all the wants of customers met with promptness and thorough care. Mr. Lutz is a native of Germany, and has established a firm position, as one of our progressive and reliable business men. We can assure our readers that an examination of the advantages offered by this well-known establishment will prove them to be first-class in every regard.

BURGER & OCHS, Wholesale and Retail Dealers in Hardware and House Furnishing Goods, Crockery, etc., Brushes, Paints, Oils and Varnishes. 39 and 41 Richmond Avenue, 1, 3, 5 and 7 Church Street, Port Richmond, S. I.—In the way of hardware and house furnishing goods, many new inventions and improvements have been made in recent years, and no line of business has shown more markedly the range and ingenuity of our progressive American spirit. A business house which for some years has taken a leading position in this line of trade, is the firm of Messrs. Burger & Ochs, 39-41 Richmond Avenue, and 1, 3, 5 and 7 Church Street. This business was established in 1886, and has been under the same progressive management from the start. A very extensive wholesale and retail trade is conducted, requiring the employment of six experienced clerks. The large and well fitted store (50x100 ft. in dimensions) contains a complete stock of hardware and house furnishing goods, including also crockery, paints, brushes, oils, varnishes, etc. The stock of builders' hardware, as well as the fine line of stoves and other domestic articles, are especially noteworthy. The extent and great variety of their stock enable this firm to meet every class of needs in the lines of trade conducted. Prices are maintained at the lowest city rates, and the first-class quality of all goods and materials sold is guaranteed. The individual members of this firm are Messrs. F. Burger and George Ochs, the latter a native of N. Y. City, the first of Germany. Both have won recognized position as most progressive and reliable business men, and their large trade is the highest evidence of their ability and honorable dealings.

EARNEST LEONARD, Livery Stable, Saddle Ponies, Horses and Carriages to Hire by the Hour. Horses Boarded. Ferry Street, next to "Steamboat Hotel," Port Richmond, S. I. Telephone connection.—In a section of great natural beauty, with fine roads, and a cultivated, refined population, a first-class livery establishment is one of the essentials of social and business life. An establishment which has catered to the best class of patronage in this line, is the progressive livery business of Mr. Earnest Leonard. It was established here by Mr. Leonard during the past season, and has already gained extended patronage and reputation. At his thoroughly fitted up stables, which are 25x50 ft. in size, and contain ten large stalls, are kept on hand a first-class line of fine driving and riding horses. The equipages of this establishment are also thoroughly modern, for elegance and easy riding unsurpassed, and a handsome turnout may be obtained here on liberal terms and at any hour. Horses are also boarded, and most careful provision made for security and comfort. The clipping of horses is neatly done by expert and competent hands, and all the facilities of this business will be found first-class. Mr. Leonard is a native of Port Richmond, and a wide-awake, thoroughly esteemed business man. We can confidently direct any of our readers desiring the best advantages in this line to the efficient services of these modern stables.

QUINLAN, TRAVIS & CO., Commission Dealers in Flour, Meal, Hay, Grain, Feed, Straw, Carloads a Specialty, Produce Exchange, Elevator, Port Richmond, N. Y.—A progressive and first class commission house in flour, feed, grain, &c., necessarily deals in these important staples in large quantities, and this is a branch of trade in which energy, foresight and straightforward business methods soon carry and maintain such an establishment at the head of the market. Among the largest and most reliable houses in this line, of the highest local reputation, we cite the one conducted by Messrs. Quinlan, Travis & Co. This firm was first organized as Quinlan Bros., nine years ago, and was changed to its present form in 1891. Both of the firm are members of the N. Y. Produce Exchange, and thus come into direct contact with the great center of supplies. They sell all kinds of flour, meal, hay, grain, feed, straw, &c., in the best of condition, and at special rates both for wholesale and retail trade. They run their own elevators and mills, and their extensive warehouse-premises are 100x200 feet in dimensions. A specialty is made in selling goods by the carload, and an immense trade is handled in this way. Ten experienced assistants are employed, and the trade kept brisk by the special advantages which are always offered by this reliable house. Geo. M. Purdy, the present manager, has proven a most practical manager, and bids fair in the future to furnish to the residents of Staten Island one of the finest and most elegantly arranged elevator in the State. It will profit our readers to make a careful examination of these advantages, and they may rest assured that all commissions placed with this firm will be executed with the greatest thoroughness and dispatch. The progressive methods and facilities of a great city trade have been united to make this an establishment capable of giving the most thorough satisfaction in all branches connected with its department. These gentlemen also deal largely in coal. Good quality and bottom rates guaranteed.

MRS. H. E. DUNCAN, Restaurant, 62 Richmond Terrace, Port Richmond, N. Y.—A neat, cosy restaurant where pleasant and delightful meals can be obtained at a moderate figure, is an attraction which no town can afford to be without. In the establishment of Mrs. H. E. Duncan, the town of Port Richmond has this need very admirably met. It was first started by Mrs. Bellis eleven years ago, and this lady was succeeded by the present proprietor during the present year. The premises are 25 x 40 ft. in dimensions, and most tastefully and neatly fitted throughout. Four competent assistants are employed, and all needs of customers in this line are waited on promptly and with care. The table of this popular restaurant is furnished with all the most approved dishes in their season, and at very attractive prices. Thoroughly competent skill is employed in the preparation of all foods, and individual tastes are carefully observed. We can recommend its toothsome and nourishing foods to the careful attention of all our readers who are not acquainted therewith. Whether in haste or a stranger, the thorough equipment of this attractive restaurant will be found satisfactory at all hours, and both in the quality and preparation of its foods, as well as in reasonable prices, this business will compare favorably with metropolitan establishments. Mrs. Duncan is a native of Jersey City, and one of the most progressive and esteemed business women of this section. Table-board or board with lodging will be furnished at a moments notice. There are eleven comfortable, newly furnished and spacious rooms in this establishment—moderate prices are the rule.



CHAS. E. GRIFFITH, dealer in fine Boots, Shoes and Rubbers, Port Richmond, S. I.—The progress which has been made in recent years in the manufacture of boots and shoes, enables a progressive dealer in this line to offer his patrons an article which for thorough make, easy fit, and adaptation to the natural form of the foot, was never before equalled. A well-known establishment which has long been a leader in this line is that of Mr. Chas. E. Griffith of this place. The business was first established in 1871, by Mr. Griffith's management from the start. An extensive and valuable retail trade is handled requiring the employment of four experienced clerks. At the large and attractive double store, which are together 45 x 60 ft. in dimensions, will be found a most varied and complete assortment of boots, shoes, rubbers, etc. of all kinds, for ladies', gentlemen's and children's wear. The most approved and seasonable styles are carried in stock, and Mr. Griffith represents a number of the leading manufacturers of the country. We call our readers special attention to the unexcelled facilities offered by this reliable store, and assure them that both in price and quality they will here meet with the most thorough satisfaction. Mr. Griffith is a native of Long Island, and one of our most substantial and esteemed merchants. He is a director in the First National Bank of Staten Island, also of the Richmond Savings Bank, and takes thorough interest in all public investments and advance.

CHAS. WAKEHAM, Plumbing, Roofing, Etc., Jewett Avenue, Port Richmond, N. Y.—One of the most important branches of industry, which the demands of modern life have called into existence is that concerned with sanitary and domestic plumbing, as the health and well-being of every person in the community depends upon the thoroughness and care with which this work is done. An established house enjoying wide reputation for the superior excellence of its work in this line, is that owned and managed by Mr. Chas. Wakeham of this place. The business was established by its present energetic proprietor seven years ago, and has gained a wide and steady influence among the best class of trade in this section. At the neat and thoroughly fitted up store premises (25 x 50 ft. in dimensions) will be found a large and valuable stock of all goods needed in this line, and Mr. Wakeham is prepared to handle all contracts in the way of sanitary plumbing, steam and gas-fitting, tin roofing, etc., with the utmost dispatch and thoroughness. Satisfaction is guaranteed and the prices of this reliable concern will be found most liberal. Mr. Wakeham is a native of New York, and one of our most wide awake and esteemed business men. He will cheerfully render estimates and specifications of work at any time, and we can commend our readers with thorough confidence to the reliable and experienced services of the progressive establishment conducted by him.

F. W. GLIDDEN, Practical Harness Maker and Carriage Trimmer, Terrace, Opp. Sloane's Drug Store, First Class Work Solicited, Port Richmond, S. I.—An establishment which has demonstrated the most thorough ability and enterprise in its line, is that conducted by Mr. F. W. Glidden at above address. This business was first opened by Mr. Glidden three years ago, and by progressive management a valuable trade and unexcelled reputation has been built up. All branches of practical harness making and carriage trimming are executed here with thoroughness and dispatch. At his neatly and well-arranged store (25 x 30 ft. in dimensions,) he carries a complete stock of first class goods in this line. The quality and workmanship are guaranteed, and in all particulars of this business the most competent assistance is employed. In work done to order, and in repairing of both light and heavy harnesses of all kinds, as well as in carriage-trimming work, Mr. Glidden gives personal and thorough supervision, so that the guar-

antee of satisfaction from this house is recognized to be unimpeachable. Mr. Glidden is a native of Pennsylvania, and one of our most progressive and esteemed business men. Our readers will find on examination of the facilities and work offered by this reliable establishment, that both the service and prices merit their thorough confidence and patronage.

MILFORD LEWIS, Plumbing, Gas and Steam Fitting, also Tinsmithing in all its Branches. Estimates Furnished. Jobbing Promptly Attended to. Shore Road, opp. Station, Port Richmond, Staten Island. Special Attention to Sanitary Plumbing, Hot Water and Steam Heating.—In the matter of sanitary and house plumbing, the truest economy is that which is not satisfied with less than the very best of work, as health no less than continual comfort depend upon the way this work is done at the first. Among reliable and progressive establishments in this line, we call the attention of our readers especially to that of the plumbing, steam and gas fitting business conducted by Mr. Milford Lewis of this place. First started by Mr. Lewis three years ago, it has made steady and marked progress under his management, the constant aim being to supply the finest class of work at exceptionally low figures. Four experienced men are now employed, and an extensive retail business handled. Mr. Lewis is thoroughly familiar with every branch of this business and gives his constant supervision to all contracts undertaken. In addition to sanitary and house plumbing, including hot water heating, steam and gas fitting, etc., tinsmithing of all kinds is thoroughly and well executed here. Jobbing is promptly dispatched, and the terms of this house in all departments are extremely moderate. Estimates are submitted on request at any time, and it will repay our readers needing services in this department to acquaint themselves with the advantageous terms and thorough workmanship guaranteed by this reliable house. Mr. Lewis is a native of Port Richmond, and one of our most enterprising and esteemed business men.

WM. SHEPHERD, Practical Optician, 83 Richmond Terrace, Port Richmond, S. I. Spectacles and Eye Glasses Made to Suit all Sights at a Moderate Cost in Consistence with Requirements. Repairing Neatly Done. Oculists, Prescriptions Accurately Executed.—There are many things in our modern life which tend to weaken the eyes, and the necessity of paying very careful attention to them need not, for sensible people be overemphasized. Any slight weakness or defect is liable to increase rapidly until it is incurable, and the sight in danger of destruction, it is therefore of great importance to consult a reliable optician for advice before it is too late. The work which has been accomplished by Mr. Wm. Shepherd, practical optician, at 83 Richmond Terrace, demonstrates that he is fitted to give the most thorough, scientific and valuable services in this department. His business has now been established three years, and by careful training and intelligent enterprise he has built up a wide and influential patronage. The special work done, is the making of spectacles and eye glasses to order, after the eyes have been thoroughly tested, and for this work unexcelled facilities are enjoyed. Other oculists prescriptions are accurately executed, and our readers may entrust the most important matters of this sort to Mr. Shepherd, with thorough confidence. He carries a full line of spectacles, eye glasses and oculist's goods of all kinds, and repairing work is thoroughly done. Prices are very liberal, and with the aid of two competent assistants a valuable retail trade is handled with courtesy and dispatch. Mr. Shepherd is a native of England, holding an honored position as a progressive and esteemed business man.

E. C. SHERIDAN, Dealer in Fine Groceries and Provisions, Bond Street, Opposite Simonson's Place Port Richmond, S. I.—The staple articles known as groceries are used more universally and constantly than any other kind of commodities, and both in extent and importance to the community, this branch of trade stands among the first and most prominent. An establishment furnishing modern and thoroughly reliable facilities in the way of fine groceries is that conducted by Mr. E. C. Sheridan of this place. The business was first started by Mr. Sheridan in 1891, and already under progressive management has built up an extended and valuable retail trade. The tastefully and well-fitted up store of this concern contains a very large and select stock of fine groceries and provisions. Every line of staple and fancy articles is complete, and the thorough purity and wholesomeness of goods is guaranteed. The line of teas, coffees, spices and sugars merit special consideration as well as the fine cured hams, and canned fruits and vegetables. Goods are obtained direct from leading wholesalers, and the prices are on the lowest city basis. Courteous and prompt service is rendered invariably and all orders delivered with dispatch. Mr. Sheridan is a native of Staten Island, and one of our most honored and progressive business men. He holds the office of Sewerage Commissioner and takes active part in all movements of public interest and advance. We can assure our readers that all wants and demands in connection with the finest class of grocery trade, will be thoroughly and promptly met at this reliable store.

STATEN ISLAND CYCLE CO., Dealers in all Kinds of Bicycles, and Bicycle Supplies, Repairing Promptly Attended to. Second-Hand Bicycles bought, sold and exchanged. Bicycles sold on installments, C. S. Calvert & J. D. Bards, Port Richmond, S. I.—The developing of cycling as an amateur sport and popular form of athletic exercise, is one of the great features of the past few years. In answer to the demand for superior wheels and service in this line, now establishments have been organized, and none has made a more favorable impression than the Staten Island Cycle Co., conducted by Mr. J. D. Bards & Mr. C. S. Calvert of this place. This business was established during the present year, and has already made great progress both in popularity and trade. Both a wholesale and retail business is conducted, and every make and variety of fine bicycles can be obtained here at favorable figures. Second-hand bicycles are bought, sold and exchanged, and wheels are also sold on installments. Repairing work is promptly and neatly attended to. All the details and accessories useful to bicyclers can be obtained here, and the store constitutes, in fact a genuine emporium for wheel-men which they have not been slow to appreciate. Terms are liberal and satisfaction guaranteed in all transactions. The attractive and well arranged store (25x50 ft. in dimensions) has become a well-known center for cyclers of this vicinity. Both members of this enterprising firm are natives of Pennsylvania, and are recognized among our most progressive and honored business men. On the 12th of July, 1892, a club known as the Staten Island Wheelmen was organized with the following list of officers—A. A. Russell, Pres., Dr. S. E. Whitman, Vice Pres., J. Crawford, Jr., Treas., F. I. Smith, Secy. and J. D. Bards, Capt. The membership has already reached the number of 65, and is growing rapidly.



RICHMOND TERRACE, PORT RICHMOND.

HORATIO J. SHARRETT, Real Estate and Insurance, Opp. Rail Road Station, Port Richmond, N. Y. Lock Box No. 323. Agent for American Insurance Co., of Newark. N. J., Assets \$2,182,421. Lloyd's Plate Glass Insurance Co., of New York. Loans Negotiated. Deeds, Bonds, and Mortgages Carefully Drawn. Notary Public. Collections Attended to.—No section of this country has more naturally and inevitably witnessed a greater advance in real estate values than that in and around its greatest metropolis. And among its most charming suburban sections this locality has long held a prominent place. Among the most influential real estate establishments, which have had a part in this development, is that conducted by Mr. H. J. Sharrett, of Port Richmond. This business was first established twenty years ago by Mr. C. M. Johnson, and has been under its present efficient charge since 1890. Every branch of a first-class real estate and insurance business, as well as the duties of an experienced auctioneer are conducted with thoroughness and skillful attention at this office. Mr. Sharrett is a notary public and is thus enabled to give exceptional scrutiny and authoritative judgment on all important transactions and papers connected with this business. He carries a valuable and attractive line of investment opportunities, both in improved and unimproved real estate. His judgment and care may be relied upon in every particular. In the selling and leasing of properties he also enjoys wide and exceptional facilities. Those desirous of obtaining a suitable home and on the most satisfactory terms will do well to examine the advantages offered in this line at Mr. Sharrett's office. In insurance matters, a number of the leading companies are represented, and the most complete and thorough security, guaranteed. Mr. Sharrett is also an experienced auctioneer, familiar with every branch of this work, and can give prompt and skillful service in all matters entrusted to his charge. He is a native of Port Richmond, and ranks among our most conservative and esteemed business men.

PETER HAPP, Baker and Confectioner, a Fine Assortment of Fancy Cakes, Constantly on Hand. Wedding Cakes Made to Order. All Orders Delivered Free. Richmond Terrace, cor. Richmond Ave., Port Richmond, S. I.—The bakers' trade is one of the oldest and also most essential in the whole range of industrial affairs. Both economy and satisfaction are gained by purchasing many articles from a reliable baker, and an establishment capable of the finest work in this department is the one conducted by Mr. Peter Happ, of this place. Established during the present year, this business has already gained a wide reputation and patronage, owing to its excellent goods and attractive prices. At this neatly fitted store (25x35 ft. in size) will be found, kept constantly on hand, the most wholesome and delicious varieties of bread, cakes, pies, etc. Wedding cakes are made to order with artistic skill and the goods of this establishment are distinguished for very careful and thorough preparation. Only the purest ingredients are used, and all orders are delivered with great promptness, thus ensuring to patrons the most satisfactory results. The advantages enjoyed by this house for catering to special gatherings and parties are unsurpassed. Terms will be found the lowest current, and satisfaction is guaranteed. Mr. Happ is a native of Germany, and one of our wide awake and thoroughly esteemed business men.

F. RAUSCHER, Sanitary Plumber, Steam and Gas Fitter, Tin Roofing, Stoves Heaters, Ranges, and House Furnishing Goods, No. 7 Richmond Terrace, P. O. Box 193. Port Richmond.—In every line of business the best is the cheapest, but in no branch is it more strikingly true than in that of plumbing. Aside from the fact that work not thoroughly done needs frequent repairing and thus costs more in the long run, what is sure to be paid out in doctor's bills in consequence of poor plumbing ought to lead to the utmost care in selecting only a most competent tradesman. No house in this line enjoys a higher reputation for thorough work and honorable dealings than

that conducted by Mr. F. Rauscher, at No. 7 Richmond Terrace. His business was established thirteen years ago, and by careful, progressive management Mr. Rauscher has carried it steadily forward until now extensive and valuable patronage is enjoyed. Mr. Rauscher employs three experienced men and is prepared to handle with scrupulous care and dispatch every branch of sanitary plumbing, as well as steam and gas fitting. Estimates of large or small contracts promptly rendered, and the prices of this establishment will be found very liberal. One special branch of work executed is tin roofing, and at this attractively fitted up store (25x50 feet in dimensions) will be found a full line of stoves, heaters, ranges and house furnishing goods. All these contemplating the erection of dwellings or other houses, as well as those desiring repairing work in the lines mentioned, will do well to examine the advantages and prices offered here. Mr. Rauscher is a native of Staten Island, and one of our most esteemed and solid business men. This gentleman makes a specialty of steam and hot-water heating.

WILLIAM H. DEPUY, Dealer in Fresh, Salt and Smoked Meats, Poultry, Butter, Lard and Eggs, Vegetables and Canned Goods, 3 Jewett Avenue, Port Richmond, Staten Island.—The meat-trade is one which grows, and is constantly extending its influence and patronage. The opening up of new facilities and improved transportation from the West, make it possible now for the progressive dealers in this line to secure advantages and prices better than ever before. The establishment of Mr. W. H. Depuy, of 3 Jewett Ave., dealer in fresh, salt and smoked meats, is one which has established an unexcelled reputation for the fine quality of its goods and reliable dealings. The business was started by Mr. Depuy twenty-six years ago, and its trade and reputation have steadily advanced under progressive management. Three experienced clerks are now employed, and a large retail business handled with dispatch and ability. The stock of fine meats and provisions includes fresh beef, pork, mutton, lamb, veal, poultry, &c., also sugared hams, bacon, corned beef, salted meats, and butter, lard, eggs, vegetables of all kinds and canned goods. The best quality only is kept in stock and thorough satisfaction guaranteed. Prices are on the lowest market basis, and all orders are put up and delivered with great promptness and care. Mr. Depuy is a native of Staten Island, and holds honored position among our most esteemed and enterprising merchants. He is an Ex-collector for the State, town and county, and also is at present the Treasurer of the village, taking a hearty interest in all public movements and concerns.

M. DUFF, Blacksmith, Jewett Ave., Port Richmond, N. Y.—This has often been called the iron age, and there never was a time when iron was so widely and intelligently used. Mechanical and industrial arts flourish in every department, and the universal adaptations of iron work produce innumerable conveniences. An establishment able and accustomed to furnish the highest grade of work in connection with blacksmithing, is that conducted by Mr. M. Duff, of this place. The business was established in 1891, and by most progressive and reliable dealings has already built up an extensive patronage and high reputation. Four experienced men are employed, and all matters connected with this trade, handled with great energy and dispatch. A finely arranged and fitted-out shop, 25x50 feet in dimensions, contains every convenience and arrangement for the most careful and thorough execution of all work. Special attention is given to jobbing work, and the repairing of iron and steel matters, including carriages and light machines. Mr. Duff gives personal supervision constantly, and guarantees satisfaction in every particular; the most important cases being treated in a thoroughly scientific manner. We can commend the experienced and reliable services of this establishment to all desiring the best grade of work in this line at most reasonable prices. Mr. Duff is a native of Staten Island, and takes an honored position among our most substantial and esteemed business men.

ST. JAMES HOTEL, Mrs. J. A. Wright, Proprietress. Rooms by the Day or Week. Accommodations First Class. Meals at all hours. Terms moderate. Board from \$6 upward. Port Richmond, S. I.—An established and modernly conducted hotel adds a great deal to the attractiveness of a town, and the support given to a first class establishment of this sort, usually shows the progressive character of a community. One of the oldest and best known hotels in this immediate section is the "St. James Hotel," conducted by Mrs. J. A. Wright, of this place. The house was first opened in 1885, and has been under Mrs. Wright's progressive management from the start. The tone and service of this popular house has always been maintained in the best manner, and a superior order of patronage built up. It is 75x60 ft. in dimensions, three stories, and fitted with modern convenience and most attractively throughout. The eligibility and beautiful outlook are two noteworthy features, prompt and courteous service being assured, and the table is not excelled by any house in this section, most competent and experienced chef having charge of the cuisine. We can commend the efficient and satisfactory services of this hotel to all our readers, and its rates will be found most liberal. Mrs. Wright is a native of New York City, and has established a high reputation as a progressive and esteemed business woman.

ARETAS ROWE, Pharmaceutist, Port Richmond, Staten Island.—A first-class pharmacy is one of the prime necessities of every community. Not only has the progress of the medical science made it essential for men to devote their entire time to study and preparation of the materials for relieving human ailments, but the thousand and one special preparations now offered make it important for the community that reliable pharmacists should carefully handle and purvey these to the public. A business house in this line, which has long been a leader in scientific pharmacy, is the one conducted by Mr. Aretas Rowe of this place. It was established by Mr. Rowe in 1869, and has been carried forward under his management without interruption. Mr. Rowe employs three competent and experienced assistants, and every branch of the pharmacy trade is handled with scrupulous care and reliability. At his handsomely fitted store, which is 25x40 ft. in size, will be found a most complete line of pure drugs, chemicals and special preparations. In the compounding of prescriptions the most thorough and exact service is assured, and this department has the constant endorsement of leading physicians. The terms and prices are liberal, and there is no line of medical preparations which will not be found well represented here. Mr. Rowe is a native of Maine, and holds honored position as one of our most substantial and esteemed business men. A branch of this establishment is also conducted at Mariners Harbor.

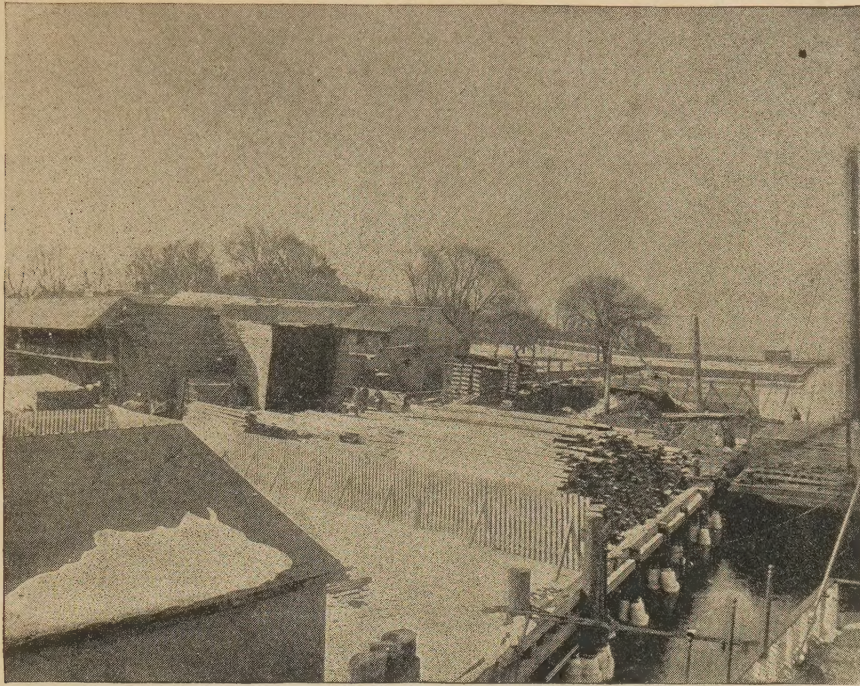
STEAMBOAT HOTEL, Fine Wines, Liquors and Segars, Boarding by the Day or Week, Port Richmond, S. I., Mrs. M. Worrell, Prop.—An attractive and reliable hotel is a great addition to any town, and without one little progress can be made. The "Steamboat Hotel," of this place, has for some years enjoyed a wide reputation for supplying the most modern and complete facilities in its line. It was first started eight years ago by its present proprietor, Mrs. M. Worrell, and has been under her progressive management from the first. The hotel premises are 100x50 feet in dimensions, two stories, and modernly fitted throughout. Both regular and transient boarders are taken on the most liberal terms, and every want most carefully attended to. The service and cuisine of this popular house are maintained in the best of style, and guests served with courtesy and promptness. Every convenience in heating, lighting, etc., of a first class hotel is kept up, and considering the moderate rates, the advantages offered here are exceptionally good. A fine line of wines, liquors and segars are also carried, and the most complete satisfaction given both in the quality and price of the attractive accessories. Mrs. Worrell is a native of New Jersey, and by energy, foresight and ability, has succeeded in building up one of the most important establishments in its line through his section.

F. P. GRIMSHAW, Wholesale and Retail Confectioner, Toys and Stationery. Agent for Horton's Ice Cream. Next St. James' Hotel, Port Richmond, S. I.—The confectionery business is one requiring the most cultivated and ingenious tastes, in order to cater successfully to the wide-awake and progressive spirit of our American people. An establishment in this line, which has long been a favorite with the best class of trade, is the one conducted by Mr. F. P. Grimshaw, of this place. The business was established thirteen years ago by Mr. Grimshaw, who has carried it steadily forward without interruption since. It has been kept fully abreast of the times, and a select, valuable, wholesale and retail business built up. The handsomely fitted store premises are 25x50 ft. in dimensions, and contain a most complete and varied assortment of fine candies and confectionery goods. These goods are made out of the purest ingredients and original flavors. Being made on the spot and constantly renewed, they possess a fresh and wholesome quality, which most candies are lacking in. In addition, Mr. Grimshaw carries an interesting display of toys and stationery, and is also the special agent for the well known "Horton's" Ice Cream. Mr. Grimshaw is a native of New Jersey, and stands among our most enterprising and honored business men. We can assure our readers that all goods purchased here will be found of unexcelled excellence and purity, as well as most reasonable in price.

WILLIAM BAILEY, Horse Shoeing and Jobbing, Jewett Avenue, near Richmond Terrace, Port Richmond, S.I.—No trade is of more ancient and honored origin than that of the blacksmith and horseshoer, and it is as important to-day, if not more important, than ever. Valuable horses are often injured by not employing the most skillful service in this line, and both humanity and interest suggest the utmost care and discretion in selecting the most thoroughly reliable establishments. Such is the horse-shoeing business which for some years has been ably conducted here by Mr. Wm. Bailey. The business was first started by Mr. Bailey in 1886, and has been under his management since without interruption. He employs only the most experienced and trained assistants, and is prepared to furnish most careful and finished work in every branch of horse-shoeing and blacksmith jobbing. The shop of this business is 30x50 feet in dimensions, and fitted throughout for the safe and convenient keeping of horses. Prompt attention is given to all demands for service, and satisfaction guaranteed at figures which it will interest all needing work in this line to carefully ascertain. Mr. Bailey is a native of Staten Island, and an established, thoroughly progressive and esteemed business man. No effort is spared to ensure to customers of this shop the best class of work to be obtained in the way of horse-shoeing and blacksmithing.

HENNESSY & HALEY, Successors to E. T. Humphreys, Practical Horse Shoeing. Corns, Quarter Cracks, Lameness, Interfering and Forging treated in the most scientific manner. 101 Shore Road, Port Richmond, Staten Island.—Among the oldest of human industrial pursuits is that of the blacksmith and horse shoeing. It dates back to pre-historic times, and has lost none of its importance in our day, when iron is so much used, and horses fulfill so many duties. An establishment, which has long furnished the best of work in this department, is that conducted by Messrs. Hennessy & Haley, Successors to Mr. E. T. Humphreys, at 101 Shore Road, this place. The business was established in 1877. Every branch of horse shoeing and blacksmith work handled with great energy and dispatch. The neatly and thoroughly fitted shop is 25x50 feet in dimensions, and contains every convenience for the most careful and finished work. The most delicate and difficult cases are handled with the skill coming from long and thorough practice, satisfactory results being guaranteed. Corns, quarter cracks, lameness, interfering, and other defects are treated in the most scientific manner. Both gentlemen are natives of Staten Island, and by the application of skill, energy and honorable dealings, have built up a very successful trade. We can heartily commend the efficient services of this establishment to the consideration of all our readers.

THOS. OWENS, Practical Boot and Shoe Maker, 13 Richmond Terrace, Opp. Perry's Real Estate Office. Port Richmond. Lasts made for Deformed Feet. Repairing Neatly Done. All Kinds of Rubber Goods Repaired.—Custom-made shoes are as important, and in some respects more so, than custom-made clothing, as thorough health and comfort cannot be enjoyed without a properly adapted and fitting shoe, and more disorders are due to carelessness in this matters than is often realized. An establishment furnishing the best of service and goods in this line is that conducted by Mr. Thos. Owens of this place. The business was started by Mr. Owens six years ago, and has been carried steadily forward under his management since. Mr. Owens is a native of England, and has enjoyed the most thorough training and experience in every branch of this trade. He employs two competent assistants and can execute any style or form of first-class boots or shoes to order on short notice. He makes a specialty of suiting individual tastes and ideas. Lasts are made for deformed feet and the most perfect satisfaction guaranteed in all cases. Repairing work is neatly and promptly done, and rubber work of all kinds, as well as leather goods, are handled with intelligence and skill. The prices of this reliable establishment are so liberal as to merit the special attention of all our readers and they will find upon examination, that the thorough and finished work given here assures satisfactory results at figures rarely obtained.



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